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A blast from the past.
Two ultrarunning legends, Cliff Young and Tony Rafferty side by side during the 1986 Sri Chinmoy 24 Hour Track Race in Adelaide.

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## EDITORIAL

Is 1999 really half over? Time seems to disappear quickly as we all get older. Speaking of getting older, Tony Rafferty recently celebrated his 60th birthday and we have included some photos from a small get together at his home in Harkaway. Now retired, Tony is involved in promoting the Australian Six Day race at Colac where he hopes to restore the event to something along the lines of the glory days of the mid 80 's
As has been mentioned before, AURA has had to increase its subscription fees by $\$ 5$ to $\$ 30$ which is the first increase for many years, a quick look at the financial statement in this issue should tell you the sad financial state of things.
On the positive side, The AURA Annual General Meeting was held on Sunday 23-5-99 at the completion of the 50 mile track championships, this years race was held at the Newport athletic track in conjunction with the Sri Chinmoy Fitness Festival and it was a great success. The festival consists of numerous events including a marathon, half marathon, duathlon and numerous other shorter events and it created a great atmosphere with hundreds of competitors all taking time to watch and encourage the 50 mile runners.
Also of note is the completion of Phil Essam's book on the history of the Westfield Sydney to Melbourne race. Phil can be contacted on 0882870325
It was good to see the emergence of some new talent in the ultra world with Mike Wheatley finishing as the first Australian at the recent World 100km Championships in a time of 7:46 in his first attempt at the distance while Sandra Timmer-Arends took 20th place in the women's event with a time of $8: 19$.
By the time you read this, two of our members will both have started their solo attempts to run around Australia. Good luck to both Pat Farmer and Gary Parsons
I have also managed to find an interesting profile on Simahin Pierce in the New Zealand Ultra magazine. Although he is now hiding on the other side of the Tasman, Simahin was a regular face on the Australian ultra scene for many years.
Of course, I could not finish without a mention of the most important race on the calendar [even bigger than the Sydney Olympics!!!!!!, I am speaking, of course, about the Frankston to Portsea event where the 27th annual "race" took place in April and, as per usual, the highlights, lowlights and "odd" lights were plentiful [even Hookie managed to finish!!

## Kevin Cassidy



## 1999 ULTRA CALENDAR

June 20 5TH ANNUAL SHOALHAVEN ROAD ULTRAMARATHON - NOWRA TO KANGAROO VALLEY 46KM, NSW $\$ 15$ entry, $\$ 20$ on the day, 8am start at Cambewarra Public School, finish Kangaroo Valley Show-ground, mail entries close 9th June, 1999, Entries to Race Secretary, Nowra Athletics Club, 30 Flannery Rd, Cambewarra 2540 NSW. Cheques payable to Nowra Athletics Club. Transport back from Kangaroo Valley to the start provided. Enquiries Terry Threlfall (0412) 603831

July 10/11 SRI CHINMOY 24/12/6 HOUR TRACK RACE CARNIVAL, Auckland, NZ, Sovreign Stadium, Auckland, Information phone: 096230325 or 096308329

Aug 22 PERTH 40 MILER, based on the Perth Marathon route with a couple of extra loops, flat, fast course. Contact Mick Francis, 27 Snows Place, Bunbury 6230 WA Phone 08-9721 7507

Aug 20-22 AUSTRALIAN 48 HOUR \& QUEENSLAND 24 HOUR TRACK CHAMPIONSHIPS, Gold Coast QLD. Rugby League headquarters, Eskdale Park, Albert Street, Maryborough, Brian Evans, c/- The Body Corporate Gym, P.O. 863, Maryborough 4650 (07) 4121 4200. Certified course.

Aug 216 HOUR TRACK RUN, VIC, Harold Stevens Athletic Track, Coburg, 10am start - 4pm., Entry forms available from: Harold Stevens, 55 Woodlands Avenue, Pascoe Vale South 3044 . Ph. (03) 93869251

Sept 18 ROYAL NATIONAL PARK ULTRA, N SW, 50km, 6am start at Grays Point Oval, Grays Point, \$35, Entries to Royal National Park Ultra, P.O. Box 380, Sutherland, NSW 2232, phone/fax Billy Collis (02)520 6774 answering service

Sept 18 or 25 TAMWORTII 24 HOUR CHARITY RUN, NSW, Viaduct Park, Tamworth, 10am start. $\$ 35$ entry, 10am start on Saturday, Contact Dallas Earsman, 143 Bridge Street. Tamworth 2340, $\mathrm{Ph}(02) 67657216$ (H) or (02) 67653511 (W)

Sept 18/19 AUSTRALIAN CENTURIONS CLUB 24 HOUR, 100 MILE, 100KM 50KM RACEWALKS, Contact Tim Erickson, 1 Avoca Cres, Pascoe Vale 3044 Vic, Ph. (03) 93792065 (H) start time 2pm Sat 18th Sept. Event held at Harold Stevens Athletic Track,Outlook Road, Coburg. Entry fees: $\$ 4024$ Hour Walk \& 100 Mile walk, $\$ 20$ for 100 km walk \& $\$ 15$ for 50 km walk. Entries close 13th Sept, 1999

Sept 25/26 160KM / 80KM / 54KM TRAIL RUNS, (Q'ld) Glasshouse Mountains. Loop course,. Contact Ian Javes for further information, 25 Fortune Esplanade, Caboolture, Ph. (07) 54954334

Oct 3 AUSTRALIAN 100KM ROAD CHAMPIONSHIP \& 50KM ROAD RACE, Glengarry (near Traralgon), Vic, Championship also includes a State Teams Challenge. Conducted by Traralgon Harriers Event, endorsed by Athletics Australia \& AURA. Contact Geoff Duffell (03)5122 2855 (H)

Oct 9/10 SOUTH AUSTRALIAN TRAIL WALK through Adelaide $\mathbf{- 1 0 / 5 0 / 1 0 0 K M}$ Phone Des Paul for details (041) 2392189 or (08) 82960507

SRI CHINMOY 6/12/24 HOUR \& 100KM S.A.CHAMPIONSHIP TRACK RACE, SA.(Australian 24 Hours Championship) Starts 8am on Sat. 24th October at Olympic Sports Field, 344 The Parade, Kensington Park. 24 Hour Race - $\$ 75$ entry, 12 Hour $\$ 50,6$ Hour $\$ 40$, 100km Race $\$ 60$. Contact Sipra Lloyd, Sri Chinmoy 6/12/24 Hour Track Race, P.O. Box 6582, Halifax Street, Adelaide 5000. Send a large stamped self-addressed envelope with cheque

## 1999 ULTRA CALENDAR

| Nov | 14 | BRINDABELLA CLASSIC, ACT organised by the ACT Cross Country Club, 56 km trail run over the Brindabella mountains, just south of Canberra., 8.30am start at the summit og Mt. Ginnini, $\$ 40.00$ entry fee with pottery goblet, $\$ 30$ without, 7 hour time limit, 1/2-way in 3hrs.20. Contact Hugh Jorgensen 62861252 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Nov | 13 | RAINBOW BEACH TRAIL RUN, Q'LD (beach and forest trails) 52 km Rainbow Beach, near Gympie, a QURC + Rainbow Surf Club event, contact race organiser Dennis Parton, c/- P.O. Rainbow Beach 4581, phone (07) 54863547 or Gary Parsons (07) 5495 7208. 5.30am start |
| Nov |  | 100KM ROAD CHAMPIONSHIPS, THAT DAM R UN, Waitaki District of North Otago, New Zealand, 6.00am start, 12 hours time limit, Entry fee NZ\$60.00, Phone/Fax: 034360626 |
| Nov | 14-20 | 14TH AUSTRALIAN 6 DAY RACE, COLAC, VIC. Memorial Square, 1 pm Sunday start - and finish on Saturday 20th November, \$100 entry plus \$10 application fee. Late entry fee (if accepted) $\$ 125$ Enquiries and entry forms to P.O. Box 163, Colac 3250. Vic. or phone Mary Lowe (Hon. Sec) 0352338361. |
| Nov | 28 | VICTORIAN CHAMPIONSHIP 6 HOUR \& 50KM. VICTORIAN TRACK CHAMPIONSHIPS ( \& 6 HOUR RELAY), Moe, Victoria, 8am Traralgon Harriers event. Moe Athletic Track, Old Sale Road, $\$ 25$ entry covers both championship events Enquiries: Geoff Duffell, 7 Shaw Street, Churchill 3842 Vic, Ph. (03)5122 2855 (H) or Barry Higgins (03) 5174 3712.(H) Email address gduffell@nex.com.au |
| Dec | 5 | GOLD COAST - KURRAWA SURF CLUB (BROADBEACH) TO POINT DANGER \& RETURN, 50K MS. Flat course along roads \& paths adjoining the Gold Coast beachfront. 5am start To be followed by the Queensland Ultra Club Annual Dinner and prizegiving. Contact Pete Gibson, (07)5576 1985 (H) |
| Dec | 4 | BRUNY ISLAND JETTY TO LIGHTHOUSE , TAS. 64 km Enjoy the ferry trip to the start, then the fantastic ocean and rural scenery as you run along nice quiet roads. A weekend away for family and friends. An event for solos and teams. Contact Mark Hey, Ultra Tasmania, 7 Hone Road, Rosetta, Tas 7010 or phone (03) 62727233 (H) |
| Year 2000 ( HOUR TRACK RUN / WALK, NSW ,West |  |  |
| Jan | 8 | COASTAL CLASSIC 12 HOUR TRACK RUN / WALK, NSW ,West Gosford at Adcock Park, Pacific Highway, West Gosford on a 400m fully surveyed grass track. $\$ 30$ entry, 7.30 pm start, Contact Gosford Athletic Track, Coastal Classic, P.O. Box 1062, Gosford 2250, NSW. Include SSAE for confirmation of entry, or phone Frank Overton (02) 43231710 or Paul Thompson (02) 96869200 (H), mobile 0412250995 Email address thomo@zeta.org.au. Entries close 19/12/99 |

Jan 9 AURA BOGONG TO HOTHAM, VIC. 60 km mountain trail run, a tough event with $3,000 \mathrm{~m}$ of climb, 6.15 am start at Mountain Creek Picnic Ground. $3,000 \mathrm{~m}$ climb! Phone Geoff Hook, (03) 9808 9739, entries close 22nd Dec, 1999. No entries on the day.

Jan 23 AURA MANSFIELD TO MT.BULLER - 50 KM ROAD RACE, VIC. \$15 entry, 7am start. Closing date: 14th January, 1999. Entry forms available from Peter Armistead, 26 William Street, Frankston 3199, phone (03) 97814305 or Dot Browne, 4 Victory Street, Mitcham 3132 (03) 9874-2501(H) or FAX (03) 9873-3223

Feb 6 or 12 HOUR RUN, WALK \& RELAY Q'LD, Caboolture Historic Village, Beerburrum Road, Caboolture, gravel road, smooth surface, certified 500m track, Q'ld. Entries to :Race Director Peter Lewis, 13 Timberidge Court, Wamuran 4512 , Ph (07) 54966437 by 8th Jan to receive free T-shirt.

## YEAR 2000 ULTRA CALENDAR

Feb 5 CRADLE MOUNTAIN TRAIL RUN, TAS. 6am start at the northern end of Cradle Mountain/Lake St.Clair National Park, finishes at Cynthea Bay at southem end of the park. approx. $85-90 \mathrm{~km}$ of tough mountain trail running with lots of bog! Contact Richard Pickup, P.O. Box 946, Launceston, Tas 7250, or phone Sue Drake (03) 62391468
Feb LIVERPOOL BOOMERANG MARATHON, NSW 732km, Liverpool to Albury and return., entry fee $\$ 80$, only 12 entries accepted, Contact Dave Taylor, 56 Grandview Parade. Lake Heights 2502. Ph. (02) 42740054 (H) or (02) 42264088 (W)

Feb SRI CHINMOY PEACE ULTRA TRIATHLON, ACT, includes a 100 km on Saturday 20th February, starting at 12 midnight, Yarralumla Bay, Contact Prachar Stegmann, G.P.O. Box 3127, Canberra 2601, ph. (02) 62480232 Fax (02) 6248 7654.

Feb 26-28 WY-WURRY 3 DAY WALK, Q'LD,approx 49 km a day, each walker must supply 1 crew person and a vehicle (4WD not necessary) start and finish at Nanango, South Burnett, daily prizes. Contact Ron \& Dell Grant, Bellmere Convenience Store, Caboolture 4510 Ph. (07) 54989965 (W) Closing date 15th Feb 1999, $\$ 35$ entry.

Mar BLUE MOUNTAINS SIX FOOT TRACK MARATHON, NSW, 46.6km mountain trail run, 8am start Saturday from Katoomba to Jenolan Caves, Time limit 7 hours, Contact Chris Stephenson, Six Foot Track Marathon, GPO Box 1041, Sydney 2001. http://www.ozemail.com.au/nbigchris
email to: bigchris @ ozemail.com.au
Mar WATER WORLD GREAT OCEAN RACE - RED ROCK TO COFF'S JETTY, BEACH \& HEADLAND 45KM ULTRA MARATHON NSW. Starts at 8.00am at the northern end of Red Rock Beach. \$5.00 entry or $\$ 10$ on race day. Finish Coffs Harbour Jetty.Contact Steel Beveridge on (02) 66536831 (H) or (02) 66541500 (W). Or by post, 2 Lakeside Drive, North Sapphire 2450, NSW

Mar AURA 6 HOUR RACE + 50KM \& 100KM WESTERN AUSTRALIAN CHAMPIONSHIP, WA, Bunbury, organised by the Bunbury Runners'Club, certified 500 m grass track, own lapscorers required, home stay or motel accommodation can be arranged, contact Mick Francis, 27 Snows Place, Bunbury 6230 phone (08) 97217507

Mar 19 AURA DAM TRAIL RUN 50KM (ADT 50) Vic, A beautiful 50km trail run close to Melbourne, around Maroondah Dam, 9am start, Fernshaw Reserve, finish Maroondah Dam wall. $\$ 28$ entry for AURA members, $\$ 33$ for non-members. Closing date for entries 8th March, Phone Geoff Hook (03) 98089739

April 50KM ULTRA ROAD RACE, ACT, as part of the Canberra Marathon, AA Certified course. Upon completion of the normal marathon course (\& being an official marathon finisher), immediately follow and out and back course along Telopea Park and the cycle path along Lake Burley Griffin to Commonwealth Avenue bridge, 7.00am start. For more details, contact Trevor Jacobs on (02) 62547177 (H) or (02) 6279 0134(W) or Dave Cundy (marathon organiser), P.O. Box 206, Ettalong Beach NSW 2257, or Phone on (02)-4342 7611 or (0417) 285609 Fax (02) 43427611

April FRANKSTON TO PORTSEA ROAD RACE, VIC, 34 miler, contact Kev Cassidy, mobile phone no. 0413708 118, 7am start, cnr. Davey St. and Nepean Highway, Frankston. Block of chocolate for every finisher! Own support needed

## YEAR 2000 ULTRA CALENDAR

| April 16 | CENTRE PHARMACY'S YEAR 2000 MT.MEE CLASSIC 50KM, $\mathbf{2 5 K M}, \& 10 \mathrm{KM}$, Q' $^{\prime}$ LD, out and back course (twice for 50 km ) on bitumen and dirt roads; 50 km start $6.00 \mathrm{am}, 25 \mathrm{~km}$ start $7.00 \mathrm{am}, 10 \mathrm{~km} 8.30 \mathrm{am}$ start. Sealed Handicap for $50 \mathrm{~km} \& 25 \mathrm{~km}$ events. Presentations and light lunch at Mt. Mee Hall after race at 1.30 pm . A QURC event. Contact:: Gary Parsons P.O. Box 1664, Caboolture 4510, Ph. (07) 33527761 or Danny Cause, 67 Reuben St, Stafforf 4053 Entry fee $\$ 20$ for $50 \mathrm{~km} \& 25 \mathrm{~km}$ events. Enter early on entry form in Ultramag or entries will be taken on the day. |
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| May | TAMBORINE TREK, GOLD COAST, 68 kms out and back course \& 45km encouragement section, Road Race, staggered start, Entry fees, a QURC event. \$20 QURC and GCRC members \$15. Contact Graeme Grimsey, P.O. Box 584, Ashmore City Q'ld 4214. Ph (07) 55227870 |
| May | GLASSHOUSE MOUNTAINS 80KM, 50KM, Q'LD, Contact Ian Javes, 25 Fortune Esplanade, Caboolture, Q'ld, phone (07) 54954334. |
| May | VICTORIAN 24 HOUR TRACK CHAMPIONSHIP, VIC. supported by Vets. 24 Hour Relay Challenge. Harold Stevens Athletic Track, Coburg, Maximum of 10 individual racers per team. Entry $\$ 10$ per team member. Open and Vets team categories. Also individual 24 Hour Track event. Entry $\$ 40$. Both relay and individual events start 12 noon on Saturday. Entry forms available from:Bemie Goggin, 277 Manningham Road, Lower Templestowe 3107, phone (03) 98504958 |
| May | BANANA COAST ULTRA MARATHON, NSW. 85KM.Coffs Harbour to Grafton via Glenreagh, Nana Glen \& Coramba, 6am start at Coffs Harbour Entry fee $\$ 5$ by 2nd May or $\$ 10$ on race day, own support vehicle / driver required, contact Steel Beveridge, 2 Lakeside Drive, North Sapphire 2450, NSW, phone (02) $66536831(\mathrm{H})$ or (02) $66541500(\mathrm{~W})$ |
| May | IAU WORLD CHALLENGE 100KM, CHAVAGNES - EN-PAILLERS, FRANCE, contact Geoff Hook,(03) 98089739 |

May AURA SRI CHINMOY AUSTRALIAN 50 MILES TRACK CHAMPS., Newport Park Athletics Track, Williamstown (Melways 56B4), start 6.30 am, contact John Harper (03) 9803 7560, or Sri Chinmoy Running \& Fitness Festival, P.O. Box 148, Richmond 3121 Cost $\$ 40$, $\$ 35$ seniors 60+

May SYDNEY TRAILWAKER - 100KM WALK WITHIN 48 HOURS through some of Sydney's most rugged and spectacular terrain, along the trail of the Great Northern Walk and Kuringai National Park, from Woolwich to Brooklyn. Teams of 4 combine to complete the trail together. Each team to pledge to raise $\$ 1000$ to help some of the world's poorest communities improve lives. Registration form in this issue. Further information: Community Aid Abroad, Phone (02) 92641399 or Fax 92641476

June HERVEY BAY HIKE 50KM, Q'LD, Contact Fraser Coast Road Runners, P.O. Box 863 Maryborough, 4650, Queensland.

COMRADES MARATHON, SOUTH AFRICA, 90 km up run from Durban to Pietermaritzburg


## AURA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - 1999

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

As we approach the end of this millennium, there will be a celebration by the ultrarunning community in the form or a series of IAU Championship events around the world. Our highly successful Nanango 1000 miler has been selected as one of a handful of events. Congratulations to Peter Warner and his Queensland team for their hard work and dedication to this race.

Quite a deal of our activities have an international flavour now, not only just the Nanango event. Committeeman Nigel Aylott took out the prestigious World Rogaining Championships with Finish partner Iiro Kakko. Nigel also went on to record wins or places in some of Australia's top ultra events. There is a strong international field of competitors for the long running Colac 6-day event. Our team performed well in the World 100 km Championships last year and we are hoping for a good result from this year's championships (to be held a few days before the AGM). The men's team comprises Paul Every, David Criniti, Rudi Kinshofer and Michael Wheatley. Sandra Trimmer-Arends will be the solo women's entrant for Australia. Sandra recently broke the Australian 50 km record at the Canberra 50 km event and Michael ran a sub $3: 20$ so I'm expecting good results from both athletes. Good luck to all five runners.

Due to the World Championships being in May this year, the Australian Championships have been shifted to the latter half of this year. They will be again held by Traralgon Harriers under the experienced eye of Race Director Geoff Duffell.

We have a couple of unusual 100 milers in Australia now. The Centurions 100 miler on a track is for walkers only to complete 100 miles within 24 hours. The Glasshouse 100 miler is a trail race in the style of some of the American 100 milers. Ian Javes is to be congratulated for putting on such a challenging event.

Commonwealth 100 km Championships events have been approved and we await the first one with interest. If they develop well, there might be a chance of getting it accepted as a Commonwealth Games event and the most likely venue if such a bid were successful would be here in Melbourne in 2006.

Two people broke records over the past year. Yiannis Kouros broke Australian and World Records during his 24 hours track race in Adelaide. Helen Stanger broke Australian records during her 24 hours track race in Coburg. Both these talented athletes are to be congratulated for their fine performances.

Finally, Vice President Tony Rafferty reached the ripe young age of 60 and celebrated with a Saturday afternoon party in his backyard. Even though Tony has officially retired from racing, he still is able to tell some marvellous yarns and stories.

Best wishes for your ultrarunning activities for the coming 12 months.


## Geoff Hook

President
May, 1999

# AUSTRALIAN ULTRA RUNNERS' ASSOCIATION INC. <br> 1999 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING SECRETARY'S REPORT 

## Dot Browne

In our 14th year of operations our unique Association is still surviving despite reduced membership. However there have been many notable events which have been well-reported in our magazine and the enthusiasm of current membership has kept this close network of ultra-runners alive throughout Australia.

Kevin Cassidy has taken over assisting me with the publication of ULTRAMAG as Geoff Hook's work commitments forced him to unload that responsibility.

Probably one of the highlights of our year was the prestigious IAU International Miles Championship being awarded to our Queensland town of Nanango. This proved to be a most successful event with an intemational field and congratulations go to the organisers. They have again secured the World Championship for the Year 2000.

The Six Foot Track Trail Race in NSW continues to be the most successful trail race ever in Australia, this year with 432 finishers, and heartiest congratulations go to Big Chris Stephenson for the superb organisation of this one. Obviously the stunning physical scenery contributes to the atmosphere of this event but the excellent organisation ensures that it has stayed successful.

Our Australian 100km Road Championship held at Glengarry in Victoria on a flat course was also wellorganised despite the small field of 7 attempting the distance and only three completing the course.
Geoff Duffell's organisation could not be faulted. Kouros ran another superb race to win the event in 7 hours 14:35 in tough windy conditions.

It was also great to see a few of our members go to South Africa for the Comrades Marathon and perform extremely well, Lavinia Petrie particularly, who came in only 11 minutes behind Lisa Ondieki in a class women's field.

Our South Australian interstate representative Phil Essam, has excelled himself by writing a history of the Westfield Run, the event which really put ultrarunning on the map in the early 80s. In this event, as we all know, the Aussie battler, Cliff Young, shuffled his way into everybody's hearts with his hare and the tortoise tactics to win the 1982 event. We urge you to support Phil and purchase his interesting publication.

Kevin Tiller has continued to give our sport great publicity with his web site on the internet and we are extremely grateful for this. Look at www.coolrunning.com.au/ultra for calendar and records updates and articles.

The enthusiastic Queensland Ultra Runners Association continue to be most successful, particularly in their tough trail runs through magnificent scenic country and are to be congratulated for their forward planning and great organisation.

Apart from Kouros, several others of our members have emerged as world class ultra athletes. Nigel A ylott, second to Kouros in the National 100km Road Championship at Glengarry, later in 1998 became No. 1 in the World Rogaining Championships in Canada. Kelvin Marshall is also one of our consistent class athletes who has had numerous wins recently in ultra events.

In the women's field, the emergence of Nicole Carroll and Sandra Timmer-Arends as outstanding distance athletes has been notable, together with more experienced Helen Stanger, Mary Francis, Linda Meadows, Lavinia Petrie and Georgina McConnell. If only we could get them all in the same event together!

Congratulations also to our Aussie team of Tim Sloan, Nigel Aylott and Paul Every who placed 9th, 33rd and 44th in the World IAU World 100km Challenge in Japan. A great team effort. The results of the 1999 Championship should be available soon.

On the financial side, our falling membership from 294 in 1997 to 226 in 1998 plus the associated donations, has made around $\$ 3000$ difference in our income and virtually accounts for the fact that we went from a $\$ 1305$ profit in 1997 to a $\$ 2062$ loss in 1998 . We obviously cannot remain a financially viable association with this sort of downturn without doing something to relieve the situation. Accordingly, as Secretary/Treasurer, I recommend that our subscriptions be raised from $\$ 25$ to $\$ 30$ starting from January 2000. This will be the first increase in subs since 1992, despite the rising costs of paper, postage and printing.

I would like to thank members once again for their diligence in sending a continual stream of results, reports and articles to us. Fortunately, we are never short of material for ULTRAMAG.

In closing, I wish to advise that I will not be standing for committee next AGM. I feel that 15 years in the one position is far too long and we need newer members to take over the reins with new enthusiasm and interest.

Thankyou and keep fit,


## Dot Browne

Honorary Secretary.


World record holder for many ultra distances, Yiannis Kouros, overall winner of the 1999 Victorian 24 Hour Championship at Coburg.

Inimitable Cliff Young, happy and still energetic at the finish of the 24 Hour event at Coburg on 8/9th May, 1999

# AUSTRALIAN ULTRA RUNNERS' ASSOCIATION INC. <br> Registered Office: 4 Victory Street, Mitchan 3132 <br> Telephone (03)9874 2501 Fax ( 03 ) 98733223 <br> STATEMENT OF INCOME \& EXPENDITURE - GENERAL ACCOUNT <br> 1/1/98 TO 31/12/98 

INCOME: 226 Subscriptions (294 in 1997)
Donations
AURA Races - Insurance contributions AURA medals
Sales of Cliffy's Book

## EXPENSES:

Postage
Magazine expenses
Telephone
Copies of "Cliffy's Book"
Catering AGM
Statement olA GM - prescribed lc
Bank Charges
Public Liability Insurance
Book - Dave Candy
Petrol-100Km Course Measurement
VTOA membership
Parking - G. Hook
Paints for plaques, Trophies \& Engraving
Stationery \& Office Equipment

1998

| 5685.44 | 7122.00 |
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| 850.00 | 2292.00 |
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| 277.25 |  | $\$ \frac{8508.13}{1305.87}$ |
| 298.27 | 9119.55 |  |
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## S'IA'TEMEN' OF INCOME \& EXPENDITURE - CLOTHING ACCOUNT 1/1/98 TO 31/12 98

Stock in hand $1 / 1 / 1998-63$ items
INCOME:
Sale of garments, car stickers, cloth badges
Bank interest

## LESS EXPENSES:

Atlas Screening - Peter Ryan
Postage \& handling
Bank Charges
$-1998$
392.65
. 33
381.00
41.10
.32

1997
514.80
. 60
392.98
202.00
38.65
.22
PROFIT
$\$ 240.87$

Stock in hand 31/12/4-71 items.

STATEMEN'I OF INCOME \& EXPENDI'TURE - AURA RACE ACCOUNT 1998

INCOME: Profits from AURA races:

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| ---: | :---: |
| 85.00 |  |
| 199.26 | 45.87 |
|  | 51.80 |
| 159.99 | 76.69 |

Plus interest
$\xrightarrow{.90} \$ 445.15 \xrightarrow{1.68}$

| .27 | .11 |
| :--- | ---: |
|  | 20.00 |

45.90

PROFTT $\$ \frac{46.17}{398.98}$ PROFIT

## FIXED TERM INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS AS AT 31/12/1998 BANK OF MELBOURNE

|  |  | 1998 |  | 1997 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1. | Account No. 39795()75 as at 9/11/97 (onc ycar terms) | 7584.38 |  | 7155.48 |
|  | Plus 12 months interest (1) 4.75\% to 9/11/97 | 360.25 |  | 429.16 |
|  |  | 7944.63 |  | 7584.64 |
|  | Less 1ild | . 21 |  | . 26 |
|  |  |  | 7944.42 | 7584.38 |
| 2. | Account No.76895796 as at 15/10/97 (6 month terms) | 1474.42 |  | 1427.75 |
|  | Plus 6 months interest © $1.25 \%$ to 15/4/98 | 9.19 |  | 28.44 |
|  | Plus 6 months interest © $1.05 \%$ to 15/10/98 | 7.81 |  | 18.26 |
|  |  | 1491.42 |  | 1474.45 |
|  | Less FID | . 01 |  | . 03 |
|  | :\$ |  | 1491.41 | 1474.42 |
|  | TOTAL INVESTMENTS AS AT 31/12/98 |  | \$9435.83 | 9058.80 |
|  | CASII IN HAND ${ }_{2}$ AT BANK OR INVESTED AS AT 31/12/97 |  |  |  |
|  |  | 1998 | 1997 |  |
|  | Commonweal th Bank Cheque Account, Mitcham | 5841.50 | 6390.06 |  |
|  | Bank of Mclboume Clothing Account | 419.03 | 448.47 |  |
|  | Bank of Melbournc Race Account | 1401.02 | 1002.04 |  |
|  | Bank of Melbourne linvestments | 9435.83 | 9058.80 |  |
|  | TOTAL ASSETS AS AT 31/12/98 \$ | 17097.38 | \$ 16899.37 |  |

COMBINED PROFIT \& LOSS STATEMENT - 1/1/98 TO 31/12 98

INCOME: Main Account
Clothing Account
Race Account
Interest on investments

1998
7057.44
392.98
445.15
377.25
\$ $\quad \overline{8} 272.82$

1997
9814.00
515.40
176.04
475.86
\$ 10981.30

LESS EXPENSES
Main Account

|  | 9119.55 | 8508.13 |
| ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 422,42 | 240.87 |  |
|  | 46.17 | 20.11 |
|  | .22 | .29 |
|  | 9588.36 | $\$ 8769.40$ |
| LOSS | $\$ \ldots 1315.54$ | PROFIT |
| $\$ 2$ | 221.90 |  |

12. 

## A.U.R.A. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

# MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AUSTRALIAN ULTRA RUNNERS' ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED HELD IN THE CLUBROOMS OF THE NEWPORT PARK ATHLETICS TRACK, WILLIAMSTOWN ON SUNDAY 23RD MAY, 1999 

PRESENT: 11 members of the Association Tony Rafferty(Chair), Nigel Aylolt, Peter Nelson, John Harper, Dot Browne, Kev Cassidy, Randall Hughes, Greg Love, Ross Shilston, David Jones, John Timms

APOLOGIES: Kevin Tiller, Geoff Duffell, Banry Stewart, Phil Essam, Geoff Hook, Max Carson
MINUTES: of the previous AGM held on Saturday 20th June, 1998, printed in Vol.13. No. 3 of the Association's magazine, ULTRAMAG, were taken as read. Moved Nigel Aylolt, David Jones that they be accepted as a true record of proceedings. Carried.
1.0 MATTERS ARISING: -
1.1 Re. Item 1.2, Phil Essam's book "The World's Greatest Race" is now complete. Congratulations to Phil and we urge members to support him by purchasing his book.
1.2 Re. Item 8.1, bank charges. Dot approached the Commonwealth Bank about waiving charges for AURA as a non-profit organisation and charges do not seem to have been added to our bank statements apart from the compulsory FID
1.3 Re. Item 8.4, IAU World 100km Challenge, our 1998 team performed extremely well and the 1999 event was held recently with Mike Whealley, Paul Every and Rudi Kinshofer, and Sandra Timmer-Arends representing Australia. Results to hand soon.
2.0 PRESIDENT'S REPORT: - Geoff Hook

The President circulated copies of his report which will appear in the next issue of ULTRAMAG, Vol 14, No. 2
Moved Kev Cassidy/Dot Browne that the President's Report be received. Carried.
3.0 SECRETARY'S REPORT - Dot Browne:

Dot Browne circulated copies of her Secretary's report, which also will be printed in the next issue of ULTRAMAG. Moved Dol Browne/ Tony Rafferly that the Secretary's Report be received. Carried.
4.0 TREASURER'S REPORT - Dot Browne
4. 1 Assistant Treasurer, Dot Browne circulated copies of the financial statements for the Association for the period from 1/1/1998 to $31 / 12 / 1998$, and commented on the figures, which indicale that our Association is no longer in a healthy financial position, mainly to the drop in subscriptions from 294 in 1997 to 226 in 1998 plus a corresponding drop in donations from $\$ 2292$ in 1997 to $\$ 850$ in 1998, resulting in an overall drop in income of around $\$ 3000$. Other expenses remained much the same. The combined profit \& loss statement, taking into account our main account, clothing account, race account and investments resulted in an overall loss of $\$ 1315.54$, compared with a profit of $\$ 2211.90$ the previous year. The suggestion was put forward that the number of magazines produced be reduced form 4 to 3 per year, but this was not a popular choice with members. So it was Moved by the Secretary/ Treasurer, Dol Browne that there be an increase in fees for the year 2000 from the present $\$ 25$ to $\$ 30$, a rise of $\$ 5$ per year. Seconded Kev Cassidy. Carried. This will be the first rise since 1992, despite rising costs of paper, printing, public liability insurance and postage during the intervening 8 years. We are very grateful to Bruce Cook in Qucensland for the efficient jub he continues to do with the printing and distribution of the
mags. Aiso to feeter Kyan who produces and prints our AURA clothing at very reasonable cosis.
Suggestions were put forward to assist in assisting finances with advertising in the magazine. The Secretary asked to write to athletic shoe manufacturers, the makers of Power Bars, sporls' drinks, sporling goods, insurance companies, enclosing a copy ULTRAMAG and proposing paid advertising in our magazine to assist with production costs.

Moved Dot Browne, seconded Randall Hughes. that the Treasurer's Report be accepled. Carried.
5.0 STATEMENT BY COMMITTEE:

The following statement was received from the commillee.
In the opinion of the commillee:
(1) the accompanying accounts of the Association are drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the workings of the Association for the ycar ended 31st December 1998 and the state of the alfairs of the Association as al 31st December, 1998.
(ii) at the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Association will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.
(iii) the accounts have been compiled by the simple Income and Expenditure format.

Moved Dot Browne seconded Tony Ralferty that the statement be accepted. Carried.

### 6.0 ELECTIUN OF OFFICE BEARERS:

The following members were elected into office:
President: Geoff Hook
Hon. Sec: Dot Browne
Vice. Pres:
Assistant Sec.:
Treasurer:
Ordinary members: (for Victoria)

Tony Ralferty
John Fotakis
John Harper
Nigel Aylolt
Kev Cassidy

### 7.0 APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR:

Peter Feldman, ex. Commonwealh Bank manager, has expressed his willingness to accept the appointment of Honorary Auditor.
Moved Dot Browne, seconded John Harper that Peter Feldman be appointed Honorary Auditor for the year ended 31st December, 1999 and that Peter be thanked for his excellent services in the past year Carried.

### 8.0 GENERAL BUSINESS:

8.1 Through Tony Rafferty, Yiannis Kouros has expressed his opinion thal AURA is not doing enough in seeking sponsorship to assist athletes to compete overseas in international events. Committee members stated that AÜRA is a voluntary organisation and that we are all employed in full time occupations which demand much time and energy, with litlle of either left over for more demands. Also, with current financial and political climate, businesses which may have considered sponsorship in the past, have now closed shop to sponsorship and money to assist athletes seems impossible to oblain. All government grants for athletics go directly to Athletics Australia, who allow meagre amounts for the sport of ultrarunning.
8.2 Tony Rafferty announced that the Australian 6 Day Race at Colac would be held from 14 20th November and would be a high profile event.
8.3 John Timms introduced the concept of a 100 km "Race Around Lake Wendouree" in Bailaral proposed for the year 2000 , a 6 km circuil. More information to follow. Meeting closed at 4.30 pm .

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## Hi Dot!

Hey what happened to the results of the $150 \mathrm{~km} / 24$ Hour Track Race at Aberfeldie Track on 10th March 1985? Don't try to tell me that it didn't exist as I've got the certificate and fond memories to prove that it did.

I know you're going to think I'm nit-picking, but now with an arthritic knee and only memories to remember it by, I'd like to get your records straight.

In the last issue of AURA, you've got me listed in the 24 Hour Track Race Rankings as 277 with a 146.880 km , whereas if you take into account the Aberfeldie event, I increase my rankings a whopping 9 spots and 3.2 km (whoopee!!!!). I bet Gerry Riley wouldn't have missed that massive discrepancy!

Anyway Dot, keep up the good work. I consider the AURA mag good value for my money. And give my regards to Hookie, Peter Ryan, Peter Logan and Mick Whileorak, the old gang.

Sincerely
Bruce Cook (Strathmore, Victoria)
Ed's note: Fair enough Bruce and we know you don't want to rush things but that event was 14 years ago! How come il's taken you so long to stir us up?

Dot.
Many thanks for the sent article on Yiannis Kouros. Over in the States, we get very litle information on ultrarunning, much less Kouros. There is much to leam from what Yiannis has to say.

An acquaintance of mine, Tarak Kanf, who has met with Yiannis when he raced over here said Yiannis was going to publish a book but hadn't found an English language publisher yet. He told me this almost two years ago. Do you know if there is such a book out now? If there is, I would love to know how I could purchase a copy.

Finally, we haven't heard any racing results from Yiannis since his great 303.5 km run. If something becomes available, could you possibly send me the results? Stotans and readers of the Stotan News would thus be informed and inspired by whal I'm able to pass along to them.

Again Dot, thank you for the arlicle! Best of health and running to you and fellow club members,
Dave Cavall, Editor Stotan News, New York.
Ed's nole: Sorry Dave, Yiannis has not informed us of any book written by himself as yet. In regard to his racing since his BIG RUN, we feel he is resting on his laurels and entering race walking events and laking the pressure off himself.


## 24 Hour

# Track Race Carnival 

## INCORPORATING THE:

## - SRI Chinmoy 24 Hour Race



- New Zealand 24 Hour Championship
- New Zealand Centurion's qualifying opportunity
- SRi Chinmoy 12 hour race
- SRI Chinmoy 6 hour race
- SRi Chinmoy 24 hour Teams relay challenge


SOVEREIGN STADIUM AUCKLAND NEW ZEALAND SAT/SUN IO/IT JULY 1999

## Information

## Services/facilities for runners

- Personal lap counters
- Hot and cold meals, snacks and drinks throughout races
- Rest rooms, showers, medical/massage assistance
- Certified, synthetic, floodlit 400 m track
- Splits at 50, 100, $200 \mathrm{~km}, 30,40,50,100$ miles
- Running direction changed every 6 hours
- Trackside camping (tents only)
- Hourly progress reports
- New Zealand Centurion's Club judges available for endurance walkers wishing to become Centurions. (Centurions are those judged to have walked 100 km or 100 miles in 24 hrs )


## Start

24 Hour Race .............. 8.00am Sat 10 July 1999
12 Hour Race 9.00am Sat 10 July 1999

6 Hour Race $\qquad$ 10.00am Sat 10 July 1999

24 Hour Team Relay ..... 8.00am Sat 10 July 1999
[ Team Relay:- 6 runners per team. Each team member to run at least two hours per shift]

## Entry Fees

- 24 Hour Race $\$ 110$
- 12 Hour Race
\$80
- 6 Hour Race \$60 16.
- 24 Hour Team Relay $\$ 150$ [6 runners@ \$25 each]


## Prizes

## Location

Sovereign Stadium
"The determination In your heroic effort Will permeate Your mind and heart Even after Your success or failure Is long forgotten."

- Sri Chinmoy
(North Shore Bays Athletic and Sports Club)
Enter via Rangitoto College 564 East Coast Road Mairangi Bay, Auckland
- Richard Tout Perpetual Trophy for first place 24 Hour men's open category
- Sandra Barwick Perpetual Trophy for first place 24 Hour women's open category
- Medallions for all finishers
- Free 'T' shirt for individual entrants in 6, 12 \& 24 hour races


## Applications for entry

Applications close 25 June 1999
Applicants must be over 18 years of age
Send applications with cheque to
Sri Chinmoy Marathon Team
PO Box 56-415
Dominion Rd
Auckland 1030
New Zealand
For information phone 096230325 fax 096230335
or 096308329

## Indrividual Entur Form

Surname First name Initials


In considetalion of this enliy, I, the imbletsigned, inlend to be legally bound, hereby for myself, my heirs, executors and administrators, waive and release the Sri Chinmoy Moisthon Team and their iepresentolives from any claims arising out of any and all injuries or losses suffered by me in the said event. I allest and verify ilual I am physicinlly lit and sulficiently trained for the completion of this event.

Signed $\qquad$ -...

Daled $\qquad$

## Tcrim Emin! Rovm

Team name $\qquad$
Team contact: Naine $\qquad$
Address $\qquad$
Phone $\qquad$
Please find enclosed \$............ being $\$ 150$ for team entry plus $\$ . . . . . . . . . .$. for no. 'T'shirts @ $\$ 20$ each In consideration of this entry, we, the undersigned, inlend to be legally bound, hereby for ourselves, our heirs, execulors and administrators, waive and release the Sri Chinmoy Marallon Team and their representalives from any claims arising oul of any and all injuries or losses suffered by us in the said even!. We ollest und veify lluth we cue pllysicilly fil and sulficiently trined for the completion of this event.

| Names of Team Runners | Age | Signature | Date | \| M | L | XL |
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Sri Chinnnoy is a comtemporary meditation teacher; author, mnsician-composer, weightlifter, athlete and peace
advocate, whol has inspired people of all mations will his message of self transcendence throught sport and
physical fitness as we walk and run towards a mew millennium of personal growth and inner peace.

# 1999 AUSTIRALIAN \& QUEENSLAND 48 HR. \& QUEENSLAND 24 ITR INDIVIDUAL \& TEAMS RELAY TRACK CHAMIPIONSHIPS ( RUNNERS \& WALKERS) Sponsored by ERGON ENERGY and the MARYBOROUGH CITY COUNCIL, 

## Date: 9.00 am . Friday 20th. August 1999 for the 48 hour race. 9.00 am. on Suturday 21 st. Aypusi 1999 for the 24 bur race. 9.00 a.m. on Saturday 21 st. August 1999 for the 24 hr relay race.

 Venue: Eskdale Park. (The Home of Wide Bay Rugby Teague ) Abert St. Maryborough, Queensland. Track : Grass Irack, good condition. (iood lighting. Cemified by survey. Maryborough is 3hss drive North of Brisbane on the Bruce Highway. Population 26,000. Main industries are Heavy \& Light Engineering, Saw Milling \& Sugar Production. Also the " Heritage Capital " of Queensland with many fine uld Colonial Buildings.Facilites: Clean toilets with plenty of good showers. Statied canteen providing a good range of food at reasonable prices. There is an area for small teuts to be erected, with power supplied.' Touts may be erected just prior to or during the race.
Lap scorers will be under cover wilh tables and chaiss provided.
Entry Fees: $48 \mathrm{hr}-\$ 60,24 \mathrm{hr}$ - $\$ 50$, if received by 6 th August 1999. Afler that date add $\$ 10$ for a late entry fee. Deduct 830 if a member of QTSRC or FCRRC Enary fee includer a quality T.Shirt. Trophos to winner and placegetters. Modallions to all finishers.
24hr Relay Teams \$60 (Team of up to 6 runners ). Entry fee inchudes Trophies for winners and placegetters. Thisis may be purchased separalely.
24he Relay Rules: Each rumer / walker must complete a minimum of 2hr on the tarek for any leg. Must compete in outside lane. Only 1 competitor from each team to be on the track at any stage.

 and Oversens competitors, Grewing and toot is the remponsibitity of the numers A staffed compen will be in operan for a arge portion of the race. $\mathbf{3}$. Wo artificial ads or unprescribed nedination are to be used by any competitor The Face Firer tor must be

 time at has sole diseretion Ge Any competitor who is absent from the track for Ahs or more in any one breal: in the dar: event or

Infomation: Rapa Orgmiser-Brian Evans, CO The Body Corporate Gym. P.OBox 86 Mayborong, Old 4650. Phone : 07412142010 .

## ENTRY FOTM

NAME.
ADTDRESS
PHONE NO
.Mi............F.
IB. $\mathrm{O} . \mathrm{B}$
AGI
EVENT: 48HR RUN.\$.
.48HR WALK. $\$$
24HR RUN. $\$$
24HR WALK. $\$$
TSHRTR SIZE : MEDIUM.
.LARGE
24HR RELAY.\$.
RUNNERS NAMES 2.

## AUSTRALIAN CENTURIONS CLUB 24 HOUR RACEWALK 1999

Interested in a real challenge? How far can you walk in 24 hours? Do you want to try for the Bronze Medal performance of 50 Km ? Do you think you are up to the Silver Medal performance of 100 Km ? Or do you think you can join the very select and small group of walkers who have achieved the ultimate in racewalking and become Centurions by walking 100 miles within 24 hours.

The Victorian Race Walking Club and the Australian Centurions Club are pleased to announce that there will be a 24 Hour Walking Challenge Event held this year in Melbourne. Details are as follows

# 18-19 September 1999 <br> Harold Stevens' Athletic Track Outlook Rd, Coburg, Victoria 

It will feature the following events

## 50 Km Walk 100 Km Walk <br> - The Bronze Medal Distance <br> - The Silver Medal Distance 100 Mile Walk - The Gold Medal Distance 24 Hour Endurance Event

| ADDRESS FOR ENTRIES | Tim Erickson <br> 1 Avoca Cres <br> Pascoe Vale 3044 Victoria <br> Ph: 03-93792065 (ah) 0412257496 (mob) terick@melbpc.org.au |
| :---: | :---: |
| ENTRY FEE | $\$ 4024$ Hour Walk / 100 Mile Walk <br> $\$ 20 \quad 100 \mathrm{Km}$ Walk <br> $\$ 1550 \mathrm{Km}$ Walk <br> Entry fee includes souvenir T-shirt <br> (Cheques payable to Australian Centurions Club) |
| ENTRIES CLOSE | Mon 13 September 1999 |
| START TIME | 2 PM Saturday 18 September 1999 |
| FINISH TIME | 2 PM Sunday 19 September 1999 |

## Centurion Roll Of Honour

| 1 | Gordon Smith | 1938 | $20: 58: 09$ | 2 | Jack Webber | 1971 | $22: 43: 53$ |
| ---: | :--- | ---: | :--- | ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 3 | Jim Gleeson | 1971 | $18: 33: 58$ | 4 | Clarrie Jack | 1971 | $20: 39: 45$ |
| 5 | Stuart Cooper | 1971 | $21: 36: 53$ | 6 | Tim Thompson | 1972 | $23: 48: 08$ |
| 7 | Dudley Pilkington | 1972 | $23: 29: 00$ | 8 | Fred Redman | 1973 | $22: 59: 00$ |
| 9 | Mike Porter | 1975 | $21: 45: 47$ | 10 | Stan Jones | 1975 | $22: 04: 59$ |
| 11 | Chris Clegg | 1975 | $22: 34: 14$ | 12 | John Harris | 1975 | $23: 18: 15$ |
| 13 | Tim Erickson | 1976 | $22: 10: 27$ | 14 | Claude Martin | 1977 | $22: 42: 53$ |
| 15 | Bill Dyer | 1977 | $22: 50: 33$ | 16 | John Smith | 1978 | $18: 49: 20$ |
| 17 | lan Jack | 1979 | $17: 59: 30$ | 18 | Terry O'Neil | 1979 | $21: 13: 08$ |
| 19 | Bill Dillon | 1979 | $20: 51: 06$ | 20 | Buck Peters | 1980 | $23: 34: 10$ |
| 21 | Jim Turnbull | 1986 | $23: 38: 53$ | 22 | George Audley | 1988 | $23: 28: 48$ |
| 23 | Stan Miskin | 1988 | $22: 59: 48$ | 24 | Peter Bennett | 1994 | $19: 42: 54$ |
| 25 | Andrew Ludwig | 1994 | $22: 26: 09$ | 26 | Ken Walters | 1994 | $22: 28: 31$ |
| 27 | Carmela Carrassi | 1996 | $23: 44: 22$ | 28 | Caleb Maybir | 1996 | $23: 34: 20$ |
| 29 | Robin Whyte | 1996 | $20: 37: 12$ | 30 | Merv Lockyer | 1996 | $23: 45: 51$ |
| 31 | Gerald Manderson | 1998 | $21: 37: 31$ | 32 | Norm Morriss | 1998 | $22: 32: 47$ |
| 33 | Yiannis Kouros | 1998 | $22: 55: 23$ | 34 | Roger LeMoine | 1998 | $23: 04: 51$ |
| 35 | Susan Clements | 1998 | $23: 58: 40$ |  |  |  |  |


(Signature of parenUguardian required if athlete is 17 years or under)
Race Category: Tick appropriate distance or category

100 Mile /24 Hour Walk

100 Km Walk

50 Km Walk

## WAIVER

I , the undersigned, in consideration of and as a condition of my entry in the Centurion 24 Hour Walking Race, for myself, my heirs, executors and administrators, hereby waive all and any claim, right or causes of action which I might otherwise have for, or arising out of loss of life, or injury, damage or loss of any description whatsoever which I may suffer or sustain in the course of, or consequent upon my entry or participation in the event. I will abide by the event rules and conditions of entry or participation. I attest and verify that I am physically fit and sufficiently trained for the completion of this event. This waiver, release and discharge shall be and operate separately in favour of all persons, corporations and bodies involved or otherwise engaged in promoting or staging the event and the servants, agents, representatives and officers of any of them.

Date $\qquad$

## CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

- All entrants must supply their own crew and whatever food they require.
- The organizing committee may withdraw any walker at any time on medical advice, or failure to abide by the race rules.
- The direction of walking will be changed every 3 hours.


## INCIDENTAL DETAILS

- Newly resurfaced all-weather synthetic Track
- Track Lighting overnight
- Full clubroom facilities including hot showers and kitchen access
- Trackside camping (no electricity) available for vans and tents
- A trackside portable toilet will be available for all ultra-distance walkers
- Perpetual trophy to the Centurion performance deemed most meritorious
- Gold, silver and bronze Centurion medallions to all competitors who complete the set distances

20: Souvenir T-shirt to all entrants in all events.

# AURA ‘BOGONG TO HOTHAM' TRAI RUN - ALIAS "THE ROOFTOP RUN" <br> carrying on the proud tradition of the Rooftop runners SUNDAY, 9TH JANUARY, 2000 (15TH EDITION) 

COST:
$\$ 30.00$ (for AURA current financial members)
$\$ 35.00 \quad$ (for non-members)
$\$ 5.00 \quad$ Surcharge for transport from where you finish, back to where you started.

CLOSING DATE:
DISTANCE:
START:
FINISH:

22nd December, 1999

60km approx. total climb 3,000m approx.
6.15am at Mountain Creek Picnic Ground

Mount Hotham

(SPECIAL STAGE BEING OFFERED FROM HALF WAY TO FINISH. START 11.30AM AT LANGFORD GAP, FINISH MT. HOTHAM SUMMIT. DISTANCE APPROX. 26KM). (Your chance to do this section if you've had trouble with the cut-off in previous years!)

## IMPORTANT NOTES

1. Late entries or entries on the day will not be accepted. All intending competitors must pre-enter. All entries must be delivered to the organiser by 22nd December. If you are concerned your entry may be delayed by Christmas mail, then hand deliver it. No account will be taken of mailed entries not actually delivered by 22nd December.
2. The carrying of a water-proof spray jacket is MANDATORY no matter what the weather conditions. No jacket, no start!

## WARNINGS AND RULES OF THIS EVENT

In registering for this event, all runners are bound by the following conditions:
Numbers Limit: There is a limit of 50 competitors allowed in the event. To encourage people to enter early and make the Race Organiser's job easier, places will be awarded on order of receipt of entry application.

Time Limit: There will be a maximum time limit of five and a half ( $51 / 2$ ) hours for any runner who wishes to complete the run to reach the halfway point at Langford Gap. A second time limit of six and a quarter $(61 / 4)$ hours for any runner successful in leaving Langford Gap to reach the Omeo Road crossing. These times will be strictly enforced.

Instructions: All competitors must obey instructions from Race Officials, especially if instructed to withdraw from the race for medical, injury or non-achievement of time limits reasons.

Age Limit: The minimum age for an entrant is 18 years old.
Postponement of Run: Should the weather be unsuitable on the day of the race, the organisers have the right to postpone or cancel the event.

Entry Restrictions: The organisers reserve the right to refuse any entry to the run if that person is ill-equipped or unfit for the event.

Withdrawals: In order to avoid unnecessary searching, any entrant who withdraws during the event should notify the organisers as soon as possible.

Pacing: Pacing will not be permitted in this event.
Mandatory Spray Jacket: This item must be carried by all competitors at all times during the event.
Emergency Kit: If declared mandatory, an emergency kit must be carried by all competitors (details in information).
Accidents: If a participant becomes incapacitated during the run, other participants should assist him/her to safety.
Caution: The course is not marked by ribbons. The course is well described, sketches supplied for potential problem spots and every effort will be made to have sufficient marshalls on course. However, if you don't know the course and have trouble navigating, DO NOT ENTER THIS EVENT.

Warnings: Persons participating in this run do so at their own risk. This run is mostly a "self-help" exercise which necessitates familiarity with the area or ability to follow directions and read a map. First-time participants in this run are advised to carry a map and compass. Participants should be aware of the vagaries of alpine weather. A misty morning can clear to a hot day when sun-stroke is a risk, or the weather can deteriorate to snow showers in a matter of hours, even in summer. It is necessary that appropriate clothing be worn or carried, as well as emergency food. On warm days, snakes are also likely to be about.

Entrants should note that there exists a public liability insurance policy of $55,000,000$ for this event, but this is not a substitute for each individual's own insurance, which is the individual's responsibility.

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Note: This is an entry application form. The organiser reserves the right to reject any application for any reason. Entry money will be returned with rejected application.

## ENTRY APPLICATION

NAME:
ADDRESS:

PHONE: (H) (......) ....................... (W) (......) ....................... Email
AGE ON DAY OF EVENT: .............................. DATE OF BIRTH:
DO YOU INTEND TO RUN THE: 1ST HALF; 2ND HALF; FULL DISTANCE ? (circle which option) (NOTE: 1st or 2nd half declarations must be definite; declarations for the full distance is for an organisational guide - you may change your mind on the day but you must start the 1st half).

BEST PERFORMANCES in a similar type of event within the past 3 years: (Name of event, date, your performance, winner's performance)
$\qquad$
$\qquad$
$\qquad$

BEST PERFORMANCES in any ultra event within the past 6 months: (as above)
$\qquad$
$\qquad$

HAVE YOU COMPETED IN THIS EVENT BEFORE? (Yes / No)
DO YOU REQUIRE TRANSPORT FROM WHERE YOU FINISH TO WHERE YOU START?

I understand that, as condition of acceptance of my entry in the AURA Bogong to Hotham Trail Run, for myself, my heirs, my executors and administrators, I hereby waive all and any claim for, or arising out of, loss of my life or injury, damage or loss of any description whatsoever I may suffer or sustain in the course of, or consequent upon, my entry or participation in the said event.

Signed:
Date:

| Cheque / Money Order / Cash enclosed for: | Event Entry | \$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Optional Transport | \$ |
|  | Donation | \$ |
|  | Total Enclosed | \$ |
| Proceeds to the Twin Cities Radio Club for their generous volunteer support. |  |  |
| Send entry application to: $\begin{array}{ll}\text { Geoff } \\ & \text { Ph: (03) } \\ & \text { (Not con }\end{array}$ | Geoff Hook, 42 Swayfield Road, Mt. Waverley, Vic, 3149 Ph: (03) 98089739 (H) or (03) 98268022 (W) (Not contactable after 24th December) |  |
| $22 . \quad$ Chequ | Cheques payable to: Geoff Hook |  |


| JST: | $\$ 28.00$ (for AURA current financial members) | DISTANCE: |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |$\quad$| Not less than 50km |
| :--- |
|  |
| IART: |$\quad \$ 33.00$ (for non-members) $\quad 9.00 \mathrm{am}$, Fernshaw Reserve Picnic Area $\quad$ RACE RECORD: $\quad$ Nigel Aylott 4:20:28 (1999)

LOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES: 6th March, 2000 (\$5 surcharge for late entry to 15th March, 2000).

## IPORTANT NOTES:

Late entries after 15 th March, particularly entries on the day, will not be accepted.
A car shuffle will be organised to retrieve your car from Fernshaw Reserve.
Please be at the start before 8.30am to allow sufficient time for race preliminaries.
Chest numbers will be handed out before the start.
The organiser does not know what level of volunteer support will be available on the day. There will be a number of checkpoints with water and limited food (which may include provision for personal drinks and food - this will be announced at the start). Don't expect aid stations every 5 km but if the day is hot, then water drops will be arranged between the longer checkpoints. The organiser strongly recommends all entrants carry some emergency food, water and a spray jacket (weather conditions can change rapidly in the mountains).

Entrants may feel the entry cost is high, but the cost allows for the Race Organiser to pay a contribution to AURA for the very expensive cost of Public Liability insurance. Without this insurance this race would not be permitted to be held.

After the race we will have a social get-together in the Healesville Hotel for drinks and an early counter tea. Please try and attend this function.

## WARNINGS AND RULES OF THIS EVENT

1 registering for this event, all runners are bound by the following conditions:
ime Limit: There will be a maximum time limit of $21 / 2$ hours for any runner who wishes to complete the run to reach Dom om saddle for the second time (approximately 20 km ).
oad Crossing: A dangerous road crossing will be encountered after the second visit to Dom Dom Saddle. All runners hall only cross the highway under supervision of a Race Marshall. All instructions from the Race Marshall shall be beyed. Disobeying any instruction from this Race Marshall could result in being hit by a vehicle or disqualification from e event.
ourse Marking: The course will only be marked (type of marking will be announced at the start) at selected locations. ompetitors are strongly advised to purchase the detailed maps to ensure they are familiar with the exact course details. you don't want to purchase the maps, unreduced photocopies ( $2 \times$ A3 sheets) of the relevant sections of the maps ncompassing the course can be obtained from the organiser for $\$ 5.00$.
ge Limit: The minimum age for an entrant is 18 years old.
ostponement of Run: Should the weather be unsuitable on the day of the race, the organiser has the right to postpone r cancel the event.
ntry Restrictions: The organiser reserves the right to refuse any entry to the run if that person is ill-equipped or unfit or the event.
lithdrawals: In order to avoid unnecessary searching, any entrant who withdraws during the event should notify the ace Director or a Race Marshall as soon as possible.
acing: Pacing will not be permitted in this event.
ccidents: If a participant becomes incapacitated during the run, other participants should assist him/her to safety.
larnings: Persons participating in this run do so at their own risk. This run is mostly a "self-help" exercise which ecessitates familiarity with the area or ability to follow directions and read a map. First-time participants in this run are dvised to carry a map and compass. Participants should be aware of the vagaries of alpine weather. A misty morning an clear to a hot day when sun-stroke is a risk, or the weather can deteriorate to snow showers in a matter of hours, even summer. It is necessary that appropriate clothing be worn or carried, as well as emergency food. On warm days, nakes are also likely to be about.
ntrants should note that there exists a public liability insurance policy of $55,000,000$ for this event, but this is not a dbstitute for each individual's own insurance, which is the individual's responsibility.

# AURA ‘DAM TRAIL 50’ 

## SUNDAY, 19TH MARCH, 2000

A run around Maroondah Dam, Healesville, Victoria

Note: This is an entry application form. The organiser reserves the right to reject any application for any reason. Entry money will be returned with rejected application.

## ENTRY APPLICATION

NAME:
ADDRESS:

PHONE: (H) (......) ........................ (W) (.....) ........................ Email
AGE ON DAY OF EVENT: .............................. DATE OF BIRTH:

BEST PERFORMANCES in a similar type of event within the past 3 years: (Name of event, date, your performance, winner's performance)

BEST PERFORMANCES in any ultra event within the past 6 months: (as above)
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(as above)
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> I understand that, as condition of acceptance of my entry in the AURA "Dam Trail 50 ", for myself, my heirs, my executors and administrators, I hereby waive all and any claim for, or arising out of, loss of my life or injury, damage or loss of any description whatsoever I may suffer or sustain in the course of, or consequent upon, my entry or participation in the said event.

Signed:
Cheque / Money Order / Cash enclosed for:
Event Entry
Donation
Total Enclosed

Date: $\qquad$\$
\$ $\qquad$

Send entry application to: Geoff Hook, 42 Swayfield Road, Mt. Waverley, Vic, 3149 Ph: (03) 98089739 (H) or (03) 98268022 (W)

# ULTRA TASMANIA INC. <br> Its Fun In The Long Run 

BRUNY ISLAND 64KM ON 5/12/98



Given a gradually reducing participant list over the past few years, Ultra Tasmania embarked upon increased promotion for the 1998 event which resulted in the two solo runners of 1997 increasing to eight, and seven teams becoming twenty-one.

It was a very pleasing outcome for both ultra running, and the finances of Ultra Tasmania.
Tim Sloan started the run as half a two person team, but decided at the marathon point to go it alone, and in the end was less than a minute outside the race record. Tim seems to be at the top of his running at the moment, and we wish him well in Comrades and other events.

All other solo runners showed tremendous courage to compete the course when pulling out felt a possibility. Paul Stancome started early and performed smoothly over the distance, and Dick Crotty plugged away from 4 am to break ten hours and secure the handicap prize. Mike Maddock walk / ran all the way even though his training had been somewhat down, David Picone applied tenacity to make it to the finish, and Terry Threlfall showed the value of a little rest at 50 km to zip over the last 14 kilometres. Regular ultra performers Andrew Lucas and David O'Brien again ran good times, albeit a little slower than in the past.

Weather for the race was cool and windy to start, but gradually the warmth increased to a pleasant level. As seems traditional, the exposed parts of the course presented a moderate headwind by standards, increasing to a full gale at the finish at the lighthouse.

Support for the team event was tremendous and involved junior teams (Cheaters), senior teams (Gentlemen), athletics clubs (Woodbridge), orienteers (EVOC), state footballers (Glenorchy), the corporate sector (NORTAS), social runners (Headway), and many others.

A close tussle developed for the team lead between two athletics clubs who traditionally race each other over the course. In the end they were less than five minutes apart, although three other teams showed good pace to be reasonably close behind. It was evident that all runners had another terrific day and enjoyed the country and ocean scenery afforded by a run which is held on quite, mostly dirt roads.

Many thanks to our supporters for this year, especially the Bruny D'Entrecasteaux Visitor Centre for providing prizes of local produce, Talays for the gift vouchers, the Kingborough Council for the replica shield presented to the fastest solo runner, and the Hotel Bruny for providing a venue for post event presentations.

Ultra Tasmania was encouraged by the entries of Dick Crotty from South Australia and Terry Threlfall from NSW, and with the excellent support provided by local solo and team runners.

| SOLO | 1 | Tim Sloan | 4.13 .34 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | 2 | David O'Brien | 5.16 .07 |  |
|  | 3 | Paul Stancombe | 6.05 .10 | 6.09 .54 |
|  | 4 | Andrew Lucas | 6.36 .34 |  |
|  | 5 | David Picone | 7.02 .31 | 2.5. |
|  | 6 | Mike Maddock | 7.07 .18 |  |

## BANANACOAST ULTRAMARATHON, 85KMS. 1999

Angie Cottrell made it two wins and two ladies' records from two runs in this year's Seventeenth Annual road ultra between Coff's Harbour and Grafton, a truly formidable achievement . However formidable achievements are what this event is all about, or that seemed to be the case this year.

Kelvin Marshall took line honours for the third time which is impressive enough but he made it back to back victories AFTER winning the Tambourine Trek the week before. The first time that he won the Bananacoast event (1996) he had ONLY managed a second place in the Brisbane Waters Bush Bash the preceding week . This year Kelvin did show a glimpse of common humanity by not breaking seven hours , although it should be added, he did not need to , as his main opposition in the early running was forced to call a halt to the chase at 60 kilometres.

His 7.23.03 saw a gradual slow down after a first 50 kms in 4 hours but after Jim Bennington pulled out with debilitating arthritis the Sydney Strider from Melbourne was always going to win . Also this year he delayed his drive back to Melbourne until the Monday ! At 34 age just might be catching up .

It certainly has had nothing short of the opposite effect on Angie Cottrell and second place getter John Fowler : Both posted personal bests . For the fifty year old first lady her time of 8.52.38 marked an improvement of over three minutes on the record she set going south last year . She claimed to have suffered a bit over the closing kilometres but her consistency was remarkable as she passed the marathon (halfway) point in 4.17 , her pace maintained with the assistance of the excellent crewing of her brother Roger and her mother . At 59 John Fowler is our most senior finisher in this event, an honour he held from 1997 . Now he has made it even tougher for those of us hoping to run on into our fifth decade . John's run of 8.40.55 registered an improvement of gargantuan proportions , over 50 minutes, on his more than respectable 1997 effort. Mind you the next 50 minutes improvement might pose a challenge . As a true gentleman of the road he is most welcome to come back and try , going south in 2000 . Third man to finish was a very happy Geoff. Hain who logged his ninth finish in this event. He was quick to point out that, as Jim Bennington did not finish and I did not even start this year , he was closing in on us for the distinction(?) of the most finishes. Geoff was well pleased with his time of 9.13.07 as it represented his best performance in eight years . Another over 50 year old on the improve. Hope springs eternal - - maybe next year I'll get to start too . Finishing is another matter entirely ! Finishing was what kept our only event debutant Nick Haagsma, going and going and going . Nick had never attempted anything like this before, although he had run a full marathon . One suspects that his training for his marathon p.b. of 3.30 was a tad more - comprehensive than his build-up for double the distance.

## BANANACOAST ULTRAMARATHON, 85KMS. 1999

Anyway , once informed that we would wait for him no matter how long he took he persevered . Although reduced to a very painful walk for much of the second half he completed the trek in 12.19.57. I doubt if anyone was happier to see the Grafton Post Office. He became a new addition to quite a short list of North Coast
(N.S.W.) residents who have completed the Bananacoast race

Another notable achievement for Kelvin was that his finish represented his 66th ultra marathon thereby, at least temporarily, taking his ultras past his number of marathons (65).

RESULTS 1. KELVIN MARSHAL (MELBOURNE , VICTORIA)
DATE OF BIRTH 6.6.64 - 7.23.03.
2. JOHN FOWLER (BURLEIGH HEADS ,

QUEENSLAND) DATE OF BIRTH 17.9.39 - 8.40.55
3. ANGIE COTTRELL (BROWNS PLAINS ,

QUEENSLAND) FIRST LADY -- 8.52.38 (RECORD)
4. GEOFF HAIN (LENNOX HEAD , N.S.W.)

DATE OF BIRTH 12.8.46 -- 9.13.07 .
5. NICK HAAGSMA (BOAMBEE , N.S.W.) DATE

OF BIRTH 15.3.45 -- 12.19 .57
FOOTNOTE (PUN INTENDED) Due to the dearth of people able to travel to our event , especially from the south , and the big step up that the distance represents for most local runners we are examining the idea of holding a shorter run in conjunction with next year's Bananacoast Ultramarathon as a way of encouraging more (any?) locals to take the plunge . The shorter event would still be an ultra , probably from Grafton to Nana Glen , approx. 56 kms . Any feedback from A.U.R.A. members would be welcome . Runners would still be best served by having a second although 'planting' drinks/food is an option for those willing to rough it STEEL BEVERIDGE

Geoff Hain makes it No. 9 finish!!


# Distance r race titles 

VICTORIAN Kelvin Marshall and Queenslander Angie Cottrell successfully defended their titles in this year's Bananacoast Ultramarathon between Coffs Harbour and Grafton on Sunday.

Thirty-year-old Marshall, the youngest runner in the field, led from the start at the Coffs Harbour Hotel, reaching the five kilometre mark atop Red Hill in 22.45, which gave him over a minute and a half lead over Sapphire's Jim Bennington.

Bennington was dogged in his pursuit of the defending champion until injury, in the form of a recurrent arthritic condition, intervened,forcinghim to withdrawnorth of Glenreagh.

Bennington's withdrawal took the pressure off Marshall who was beginning to feel the effects of his fifth straight victory in the Tambourine Trek over 68 kilometres only the week before.

After reaching the 50 kilometre mark in just over four hours, the much-travelled Victorian computer programmer then proceeded to run conservatively to the finish at Grafton Post Office, which he reached in 7.23.03.

The 85 kilometre race on Sunday was Marshall's 66 th career ultramarathon and meant that he joins Queenslander Geoff Boase as a three-time winner of the Bananacoast event.

He plans to race over the more conventional marathon ( 42.2 kms ) distance in a fortnight "when my legs recover" as he stated before heading back to Melbourne.

Angie Cottrell also joined a select group with her run on Sunday as she made it not only back-to-back victories but also back-toback record-breaking runs.

Her time in crossing the finish third outright was 8.52 .38 , faster than the new Grafton to Coffs record of 8.55 .53 she set last year and a massive one hour 16 minutes faster than the previous female record held by Newcastle's Trudi Kidd.

Fifty year Cottrell, superbly crewed by her brother Roger and her mother - it was Mother's Day afterall-ranwith great determination and consistency, having passed through the marathon mark in $4.17 \mathrm{her} \mathrm{sec}-$ ond half slow-down was almost imperceptible.

Also slowing down only marginally in the second half was 59 -year-old Burleigh Heads runner John Fowler, whose 4.09 first marathon sethim up for a massive improvement of over 50 minutes on his 1997 run in this event.

His finish time of 8.40 .55 was good enough to make sure of the runner-up position.

Third man and fourth to finish was Lennox Head runner Geoff Hain who faded a little more to record a time of 9.13.07.

However Hain was well pleased with his run as it was his fastest effort in eight years in the event and it also registered his ninth finish from nine starts.

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Thefinal finisher, and theonly eventdebutant, late entrant Nick Haagsma from Boambee, made the second-half fade into an art form as he battled cramp and blistering to struggle into Grafton after the longest and loneliest run of the day in 12.19.57.

His sense of achievement will however endure long after the aches and pains have faded.

## WATER WORLD GREAT OCEAN RUN 1999

In a field which included two past winners in Jim Bennington and Michael Smart; Australian Six Day Championship the winner of the ; Peter Gray ; and the former World Record Holder for 1,000 miles (1,6090 kms) on the track, Gary Parsons, it was left to tyro Stephen Sayers of Saratoga to claim this year's Water World Great Ocean Run title with a most impressive 3.39.36 clocking for the 45 kilometres from Red Rock to Coff's Harbour Jetty :

After Bennington's record of 3.18 .15 set in 1997, Sayers' time was the third fastest winning effort on a decidedly hot day on which the following North Easterly may not have hampered progress like last year's Southerly but did little by way of cooling either . Sayers effort was all the more laudable because he had contested the Six Foot Track 46 kms Trail Ultra - marathon the week before, finishing ninth in a field of six hundred, in under 4 hours

At 35 he has a bright future in the field of Ultamarathoning ; especially when Sunday's effort was only his fourth outing longer than the regulation 42.2 kms marathon distance . In second place was 47 year old Jim Bennington , whose time of 3.46 .29 meant that he has always finished this race under the four hours so ernestly sought by others

Third spot behind the ever-present Bennington was another relative 'youngster' ; 30 year old Tom Morris of Brisbane . His time of 3.50.24 was a significant personal best . Last year's Champion Michael Smart of Invergowrie could not reproduce his 1998 form , finishing fourth in a solid 4.14.28 .

First lady ; in a breakthrough win ; was 1996 ; 1997 and 1998 runner-up ; Angie Cottrell aged 50 from Browns Plains in Queensland . Cottrell; the barefoot Queen of the Ultramarathon scene, notched a 7 minutes personal best to beat home Aileene Markham, 5.14.50 and fellow Gold Coast Runners' club member Wendy Taylor , 5.22 .18

With 31 starters and 28 finishers most of them down from the Sunshine State this year's Water World event was voted an overwhelming success by all those involved . Most suggested that they will be back for next year's running of the beaches from Red Rock to Coff's Harbour.

A large measure of the success of the event must go to the Gold Coast Runners who not only provide a major portion of the field but also take care of drinks and feeding for all the runners along the way as well . Our date for next year will be set to optimise the tidal conditions for the majority of the field but this is not as easy to arrange as it would seem. It also means that we may clash with other ultra events (e.g. The Six Foot Track)

We will try to organise a light north-easterly and overcast conditions with slight seas too BUT ...

## WATER WORLD GREAT OCEAN RUN 1999

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Results (male) :- Stephen Sayers 3.39.36, 1 ; Jim Bennington 3.46 .29 , 2 ; Tom Morris 3.50.24, 3 ; Michael Smart 4.14.28 , 4 ; Jason Evans 4.22.01, 5 ; Peter Mackenzie \& Steven Hayes 4.27.29, =6 ; Colin Colthorpe 5.03 .56 , 8 ; John Heffernan \& Ian Reed 5.04.50, =9 ; Alan Whittle 5.06.52, 11 ; Gary Parsons 5.07.24, 12 ; Peter Moore 5.13.33, 13 ; Bob Beer 5.16.05 , 14 ; Stuart Mullins 5.38 .04 , 15 ; Mal Draper 5.43 .37 , 16 ; Mal Thornton 6.13.42, 17 ; Anthony Peart 6.14.48, 18; Peter Gray 6.44.51, 19; Dennis French 7.14.48, 20 ; Harry Bishop 9.08 .07 , 21 . (female) :- Angie Cottrell 4.40.36, 1 ; Aileene Markham 5.14.50, 2 ; Wendy Taylor 5.22.18, 3 ; Diana Kever 6.43.17, 4 ; Dianne Armstrong 6.43.28 , 5 ; Pat Stockton 7.14 .48 , 6 ; Lorrie Bişhop 9.08.07, 7 .
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# Novice grabs victory in fancied fiela 

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Results in Sports Roundup.


## WATER WORLD GREAT OCEAN RUN 1999



They're off along the beach in the Water World Great Ocean Run 1999

Winner Stephen Sayers on the last headland (Macauley's) Only one long beach to go.



## 1999 CABOOLTURE HISTORICAL VILLAGE DUSK TO DAWN RUN/WALK 6/12 HOUR

To all those A.U.R.A. members who were thinking of coming up but were finally unable to, you missed out on a gem of an event. So you better mark off the first weekend of February, 2000.

I received 44 entries with 38 individual starters and 3 teams, with an atmosphere of personal satisfaction from all. 3 individual competitors were unable to compete on the night due to unforeseen circumstances. To all who entered I extend a sincere thank you. The end result was the Caboolture Historical Society receiving $\$ 570.90$ from the Q.U.R.C. and this does not include extra food sales.

John Fenton and Lyall Morgan from the volunteer society and their great team of workers contributed enormously. They swept sticks off the 500 metre track and set up lighting facilities, not to mention the quality of the food.

Alan Best came straight from night shift to help me set up tarps, tables and chairs for lap recorders. To Julian Bramald and Charlie Hall, you lifted the workload to a manageable level, serving the event for 15 hours each. Young Arlene Gordon worked tirelessly for 7 hours manning the competitor's food station. A grateful thank you to this 11 year old. My wife Lyn assisted me for 2 months prior to the event. Thanks Lyn for being a great patron of the sport.

And thanks to Phillipa Bolt who operates Kick Start promotional gear, who not only makes the shirts, but designs the artwork as well.

Thank you to major sponsors Caboolture Shire Council, Caboolture Near North Coast News, OUR Radio 4OUR, Stoneybrook Cottage \& Herb Garden-Woodford and Delaney's Creek Winery \& Vineyard. 14 minor sponsors contributed toward random draws.

Caboolture Shire Mayor, Tom Mc Loughlin, started the race in keeping with the Historical Village by using a treasured cow bell, marking the beginning of a magical event. 14 entrants had never contemplated being in an ultra until they arrived at the village, entering the unknown for the first time.

5 people stood out as shining lights. Nick Roiter for courageous determination in the 6 hour walk. A panel of 4 unanimously agreed Nick deserved the encouragement award. Lorna Hill, although carrying an injury, was on the track the duration of the 6 hour run. Bob Hill, who won his first UltraMarathon, the 6 hour walk. The marvellous Kelvin Woods in the 12 hour run, was trailing second place-getter by 8 kms with 3 hours remaining. At the end he was 300 metres behind second placegetter. Peter Bennett, Qld Masters member who race walked the entire 12 hours finishing with a very commendable distance.

So many gathered to support the Q.U.R.C. event who fundraised for the historical village. Once again the 4OUR on site broadcasting van brought a light atmosphere with their music. All were united as one heart beating for the Caboolture Historical Society. Caboolture News are also to be commended for their marvellous media support. And I've been informed a couple of competitors went sneaking off the track to the pub for a quick beer during the event, for refuelling purposes only of course.

Congratulations to Bob Hill and Margie Aorangi on completing your first Ultra-Marathon distance competitively, 42.2 kms . To the Caboolture Council team who assisted in supporting this event I also extend to you a hearty thank you. 80 toads were dealt with by the toad busters scanning the parkland of the village. Finally, Ron Grant won the early entrants memorabilia plate and mug which was drawn by Mayor McLoughlin.

## CABOOLTURE HISTORICAL VILLAGE DUSK TO DAWN RUN/WALK 6/12 HOUR

## PLACEGETTERS IN RESPECTIVE ORDER FOR MALE \& FEMALE CATEGORIES

12 HOUR RUN

| GRAHAM MEDILL | 109.180 |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| GEOFF WILLIAMS | 102.349 |  |
| KELVIN WOODS | 102.051 |  |
| GRAHAM WATTS | 80.000 |  |
| PETER GIBSON | 76.000 | RETIRED |

## 12 HOUR WALK

| CHERYL MDDDIS | 75.999 |
| :--- | :--- |
| KERRIE HALL | 72.797 |
| MARGIE ORANGI | 63.727 |
|  |  |
|  |  |
| ANGIE COTTRELL | 57.597 |
| ANGELLA CLARKE 54.750 |  |
| VICKI TANNER | 50.750 |
| CHRIS WALKER | 30.000 RETIRED |
| LORNA HLLL | 28.220 |

ANGIE COTTRELL 57.597
ANGELLA CLARKE 54.750
VICKI TANNER 50.750
LORNA HILL 28.220

JUDY MOLLER 47.357
LYN LEWIS 46.857
FIONA MELVILLE 39.986
MARGARET CHESSELLS 39.258
GWEN JONKERS 37.033
YVONNE DAVIS 32.838
PATRICIA HADLEY 30.950
JULLIE O'TOOLE 26.987
LORRAINE PAGE 26.414

6 HOUR RUN
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { PETER BENNETT } & 97.474 \\ \text { CALEB MABIR } & 81.142\end{array}$

CLIFF FRENCH $\quad 60.415$
BRIAN EVANS 58.845
GEOFF HAIN 56.337
MURRY DAVIS 49.567
DAVE HOLLERAN 43.039
IAN JAVES 40.500

6 HOUR WALK
BOB HILL 45.505
KERRY MIDDIS 41.246
DON STIELER 38.604
SANDY BUCHAN 36.000
LES SKILLER 35.004
RON GRANT 34.002
NICK ROITER 33.702
STEVE MC'NALLY 31.996

6 HOUR RELAY
TOOWOOMBA ROAD RUNNERS 82.975
SCHANDOR TEAM ` 42.647
COLLINS TEAM 42.062
Hereunder is the course best distances for this venue. This does not include distances before 1998 as the course was different. $\mathrm{R}=$ Run. $\mathrm{W}=$ Walk. $\mathrm{RE}=$ Relay. The figure before abbreviation indicates hours.

| 6 R. | Cliff French 60.415 | Lyn Gordon-Lewis | 57.870 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 6 W. | Caleb Maybir 46.926 | Judy Moller | 47.357 |
| 6 RE. | Toowoomba Road Runners 82.975 |  |  |
| 12R. | Peter Gibson 115.467 |  |  |
| 12W. | Peter Bennett 97.474 | Cheryl Middis | 75.999 |

## BUNBURY 6 HOUR TRACK RACE, WA $6 T H$ MARCH 1999

| Place | NAME | DISTANCE COVERED KMS |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1. | MICK FRANCIS | 70.694 |
| 2. | JOHN VESNAVER | 67.845 |
| 3. | BJORN DYBDAHL | 66.188 |
| 4. | GEOFF BLYTH | 65.131 |
| 5. | MIKE SZALEK | 64.765 |
| 6. | SHANE WALKER | 62.849 |
| 7. | JERRY ZUKOWSKI | 61.655 |
| 8. $1^{\text {ST }} \mathrm{F}$ | ROSEMARY JOHNSON | 61.647 |
| 9. | JOHN DAVIES | 61.500 |
| 10. | BRIAN JACKSON | 60.680 |
| 11. | ANDREW LANE | 57.629 |
| 12. | ROB MACBETH | 57.558 |
| 13. | STEPHEN PEACOCK | 56.528 |
| 14. | ROBERT WEAVER | 54.800 |
| 15. | DOUG SHAW | 54.538 |
| 16. | KEVIN MARTIN | 52.198 |
| 17. | GARY HARRIS | 50.484 |
| 18. | STEPHEN DUNN | 50.000 |
| 19. | LYLE JAMES | 49.009 |
| 20. $2^{\text {Niv }} \mathrm{F}$ | BRONWYN SALTER | 47.681 |
| 21. | JIM BARNES | 44.500 |
| 22. | ANDY ZUKOWSKI | 33.000 |
| $233^{\text {RD }} \mathrm{F}$ | ELLEN ZUKOWSKI | 33.000 |

## BUNBURY 50KM TRACK CHAMPIONSHIP, W.A. 6TH MARCH, 1999



Drinking the wrong mixture may have cost Mick Francis an Australian record in the six-hour marathon. Picture: ,IEFF HENDERSON


# BUNBURY GHR / 50KM TRACK CHAMPIONSHIP, W.A. 6TH MARCH, 1999 

Dear Dot and fellow runners, I hope everyone has had a good beginning to the year, my first ultra of the year went off very well, the following is a short report on it. Ou the 3rd of March my wife Ellen and I flew to Perth to be greeted by our son Andrew at the airport, after doing the usual tourist things we went to Bunbury(where Andy works) and checked out the track for The Bunbury Holden 6 Hour Track Challenge(what a mouth full). The track looked great and I was really looking forward to the run as
it would be the first time I have cver ran on a grass track. Saturday afternoon finally arrived and the three of us turned up at the track(which was just across the street from the beach front which was absolutely beautiful) We were greeted by the Bunbury Runners Club(really great people) After meeting my lap scorer and drinks person (more great people,Hi there David and Fiona) A few group photo's and the race director's brief, the clock ticked to 5 p.m. And that was it, we were off. There were 23 of us, 21 runners and 2 walkers(Ellen and Andy) The run went really good for me as I took it easy at the beginning and as I kept going the hours ticked by and I thought I might be able to keep this pace going for most of the race. I slowly started to work my way up the field as a few of the runners started having a few problems. With about $1 / 2$ hour to go I asked Fiona how many more laps I had to do to get to 60 ks , she said 8 or 9 . Well, time was on my side and I managed to get 61 ks at the end. Ellen and Andy both got to walk 33 ks (which I reckon is great because it's harder than ruaning) I believe that there was a few good battle's at the front of the race.
So hopefully there will be a better report coming from the Bunbury Runners Club. Enclosed are a few clippings we got from the local papers at Bunbury. Well, now it's all systems go for the Coburg 24 Hour on the 8th and 9th of May, I hope we meet just as many great people at Coburg as we did at Bunbury. See ya............Jeny and Ellen Zukowski.

# Runners all set for six-hour marathon 

JOHN Vesnaver is looking for revenge and Mick Francis says he can come anytime.
They are two of the front runners favoured in a star studded field for the Bunbury six-hour marathon which starts on the Recreation Ground at 5pm on Saturday.

Last year Bunbury's Francis completed the six-hour in record distance of 73 km with Vesnaver second on his debut run. But this year, knowing what he is in for, Vesnaver has been putting in the hard yards with a recent 50 km run in just under four hours.
"'That's about 70km for the six hour so we are in for a tough time trying to catch him," said Francis who added that he was looking forward to retaining his title although after injury last year he felt he was "a little underdone".
Then there is last year's third placing, former Bunbury Marathon winner David Dye, fourth placed Bjorn

Dybdahl and ex-South African Shane Walker.

Dybdahl - "You name it, I'll run it" - tested the leaders last time out and is determined to go one better this year.

The run's regulars from Perth will be back again, 1997 winner Brian Jackson and veteran Steve Dunn who set the record at 72 km in 1988 while a new face in the field will be that of Walker.
A. powerful runner, Walker has completed the gruelling South African Comrades Marathon 17 times, regularly running the 90 -odd kilometres in under seven hours so one can expect him to be there at the finish.
'People have come from far and wide," said Francis. "One family from South Australia will be running as a unit - Jerry Zukowski, his wife Ellen and son Andy."

Notable absentees were triathlon stars Ian Cocker and Allan Holmes, he said, then added: '"This event is for real men."

## Centre Pharmacy's mount wee classic

## King \& Queen of Mt Mee

## Sunday 21/3/99

Record Fields turned out for the tough Mt Mee classic events, with a total of 137 Entrants. To tackle the mountain road course over 3 race distances. $50 \mathrm{~km}, 25 \mathrm{~km}$, 10 km .
The 50 km ultra event started at 6.00 am with the entrants disappearing into low clouds for the decent of 12.5 km to the turnaround point. This event involves doing 2 laps of the out and back course to total 50 km . (a real test of body and mind).
Tom Morris, Angie Cottrell and Aileene Markham had only 7 days earlier ran the Red Rock to Cuffs Harbour 45 km Beach Trail run, and as the :esults attest put together a quality effort on the mountain.
Tom lead all the way up and down the range to finish in a time of 4:09:38, only 21 min outside the course record held by Don Wallace. Brian Evans nearly double his age, ran I believe, one of his best ultra efforts finishing in 4:39:35, with Bruce Smerdon third in 5:23:06.
Angie Cottrell and Aileene Markham trailed Betty Menzies at the 25 km point, and at the turnaround point the three were only minutes apart. Angie dug deep and finished first in 5:25:28, with Aileene second in 5:27:41 and Betty third in 5:37:30. Vicki Tanner was only a few minutes behind in fourth place. These four ladies are leading the way in ultra running in Queensland in recent events.
The handicap section of this event is the runner/walker who finishes closest to their nominated time (no watches on course). Tom Morris also won the handicap by finishing I min 29s outside his nominated time.
The 50 km walking category was won by Arthur Cox in a time of 7:03:40.
In the 25 km event both the Male and Female race records were broken. Denis Fitzgerald in $1: 36: 03$ powered over the course taking more than 12 minutes of the record, with second place Brad Bartsch 1:44:15 also 4 minutes under the old record, and Ian Kent in third in 1:51:09. Not to be outdone the girls did the same. Glenda Banaghan in 2:01:49 and Janine Reid 2:04:49 both finished quicker than the previous record. Lisa Barton just outside the old record finished third in 2:06:51.
Rod Morgan won the male walking category of the 25 km event with a solid 2:59:46,

| 50Km Ultra Event |  |  |
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| Name | Finish Time |  |
| Tom Morris | 1M | 4:09:38 |
| Brian Evans | 12M | 4:39:35 |
| Bruce Smerdon | 3M | 5:23:00 |
| Angie Cottrell | 1F | 5:25:28 |
| Aileen Markham | 12F | 5:27:41 |
| Geoff Williams |  | E:36:44 |
| Betty Menzies | $3 F$ | 5:37:30 |
| Vickie Tanner |  | 5:45:09 |
| Geoff Hain |  | 5:58:39 |
| Richard Donin |  | 6:18:54 |
| Arthur Cox | 16 | 7:03:40 |
| Bob Burns |  | 7:09:07 |
| Kerrie Hall |  | 7:45:25 |
| Tina Fiegel |  | 9:02:02 |
| Kelvin Woods |  |  | and Tania Davies was first Female walker to win in 3:21:35.

The wimner of the handicap for the 25 km was Rob Walmer who finished 11 sec outside his nominated time.
Records also toppled in the 10 km event with the first three males all finishing inside the old race record. Todd Ingraham was finst in 35:22, with Phil McClure second 37:47 and Paul Ashford third 38:51. This is one of the hardest 10 km courses around, but if approached with caution in certain areas, you can red line other parts of the course, and the fast pace in this year's race is the result of this approach.
The 10 km female event saw 15 year old up and coming runner Ardine Voogt lower the old record by 8 minutes winning in $45: 44$, she finished 4 th overall in what was the largest and quickest field yet in the 10 km . Ardine is trained by Martin Roberts who believes she has a real future in the middle distance events, and was very pleased with the time over such a solid course. Second place in the female 10 km was Suzette Kelson in 56:47, with Angela Grant third in 58:26.
The walle in! records also fell with Bruce Cook (Aust. 50 km Track Champ) ivalkiut: the 10 km in $1: 05: 47$. Lyn Lewis won the female walking section in $1: 05: 58$.
The Mt Mee race's major sponsor Centre Pharmacy continued its long association with the event and Jim Johnson from Centre Phamacy was overivhelmed and extremely pleased with the size of the field this year and the way that the rim continues to grow and improve. He is pleased to be a part of the running comminity and will be a major part of the Mt Mee run in future years.
I would like to thank Centre Pharmacy and Jim Johnson for his support for this event. which has enabled it to grow into a MUST for your romning calendar. I would also like to thank all of the volunteers who assisted in the running of this years event as marshalls on the course and manning the water stops, and in the hall and kitchen in making the runners welcome, and well fed. It made the event a success.
Hoping to see everyone again in 2000.

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| 1 | IKIN | STEPHEN | M |
| 2 | Aylott | NIGEL | M |
| 3 | LOVE | Greg | M |
| 4 | RAUPACH | KEN | M |
| 5 | Giles | marcus | M |
| 6 | vella | SAM | M |
| 7 | Firth | mark | M |
| 8 | turner | david | M |
| 9 | Sayers | STEPHEN | M |
| 10 | hatley | David | M |
| 11 | OWENS | james | M |
| 12 | WISDOM | craig | M |
| 13 | Grant | brian | M |
| 14 | fitzpatrick | PETER | M |
| 15 | johanson | paul | M |
| 16 | URWIN | STEPHEN | M |
| 17 | burton | michael | M |
| 18 | marshall | kelvin | M |
| 19 | isbister | Geoff | M |
| 20 | RENWICK | bruce | M |
| 21 | DOnNELLY | michael | M |
| 22 | TILLER | DAWN | $F$ |
| 23 | THOMPSON | KIERON | M |
| 24 | Jordon | ADAM | M |
| 25 | Lisson | george | M |
| 26 | WRIGHT | ian | M |
| 27 | BILL | Ross | M |
| 28 | OSBORNE | Greg | M |
| 29 | tolhurst | helen | $F$ |
| 30 | van moesik | bianca | $F$ |
| 31 | webster | Stuart | M |
| 32 | vincent | James | M |
| 33 | LONG | ROdNEY | M |
| 34 | FRYER | martin | M |
| 35 | GEDDES | WAYNE | M |
| 36 | cannings | david | M |
| 37 | DUNN | XANDRA | $F$ |
| 38 | Jorgensen | нugh | M |
| 39 | ChRISTISON | LINDA | $F$ |
| 40 | MCKEN2IE-HICKS | LYNDA | $F$ |
| 42 | ǨLOPPERS | bill | M |
| 42 | gray | STEPHEN | M |
| 43 | mattiews | IAN | M |
| 44 | briscoe | RIChard | M |
| 45 | JEFFKINS | ADRIAN | M |
| 46 | SHORT | LI2 | $F$ |
| 47 | OUTTEN | CHAD | M |
| 4 ¢ | mCCAN | NORM | M |
| 49 | clarke | trevor | M |
| 50 | OVERTON | John | M |
| 51 | malone | peter | M |
| 52 | kahlefelot | Carmel | F |
| 53 | stanton | WAYNE | M |
| 54 | wYLIE | IAN | M |
| 55 | COULL | PaUl | M |
| 56 | higcinson | Bill | M |
| 57 | clear | david | M |
| 58 | GLEN | John | M |
| 59 | - brien | Louise | F |
| 60 | austin | TIM | M |
| 61 | Malinowski | peter | M |
| 62 | CREW | graham | M |
| 63 | Smith | Robert | M |
| 64 | Palmer | kerry | F |
| 65 | Styles | david | M |
| 66 | AITKENHEAD | GARY | M |
| 67 | bogenhuber | FRED | M |
| 68 | bogenhuber | max | M |
| 69 | TAYLOR | ANDREW | M |
| 70 | porral | CRISTINA | F |
| 71 | dellagiacoma | Patrick | M |
| 72 | sloan | james | M |
| 73 | miller | ALAN | M |
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| 75 | stein | paul | M |
| 76 | COOPER | JонN | M |
| 77 | cantle | ian | M |
| 78 | CRANE | STEPHEN | M |
| 79 | SKINNER | JANET | $F$ |
| 80 | wall | charles | M |
| 81 | Jones | ALAN | M |
| 82 | WEST | EDWARD | M |
| 83 | mCCullagh | Cameron | M |
| 84 | Fortune | bernard | M |
| 85 | WILES | hayden | M |
| 86 | THOMPSON | chris | M |
| 87 | SHAW | KYM | F |
| 88 | SNEDDON | John | M |
| 89 | WARD | gary | M |
| 90 | Clarke | PHIL | M |
| 91 | clarke | brendan | M |
| 92 | colwell | brian | M |
| 93 | mCNALLY | Bill | M |
| 94 | renaup | SAM | M |
| 95 | carden | yale | M |
| 96 | harrison | stuart | M |
| 97 | Proctor | william | M |
| 98 | Sinclair | ROSS | M |
| 99 | munday | Roger | M |
| 100 | mCGURK | KEVIN | M |

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| 202 | WILLIS | Graham | M | DUNDAS | 5.47 .30 | 302 | bradley | alan | , | buttaba | 6,19.10 |
| 203 | wease | bradley | M | SYdNEY | 5.47.44 | 303 | LATHAM | Chris | M | Wang: wangy | 6,19.11 |
| 204 | ANDREOU | SIMON | M | WAGGA wagga | 5.48 .08 | 304 | CRESWICK | RICHARD | M | bateau bay | 6.19.28 |
| 205 | Grant | andrew | M | PYMble | 5.48 .09 | 305 | boidin | dominic | M | fautconbride | 6.19.55 |
| 206 | Fitzgerald | PETER | M | the rocks sydney | 5.48.55 | 306 | manson | RICHARD | M | linofield | 6.19.56 |
| 207 | Green | Ian | M | EAST HILLS | 5.49 .02 | 307 | SCOTT | GREG | M | wigca wagca | 6.19.57 |
| 208 | MONTCOMERY | STEPHEN | M | killarney vale | 5,49.05 | 308 | morrison | miles | M | IAWSON | 6.19.59 |
| 209 | кеное | paul | M | WILLIAMTOWN RAAF | 5.49.11 | 309 | mCNALLY | ROSS | M | westmead | c. 20.08 |
| 210 | drayton | NICK | M | St Leonards | 5.50.19 | 310 | MURRELL | EDDIE | M | WENTWORTH FALLS | 6,21.05 |
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| 212 | DORAHY | terence | M | denistone | 5.51.21 | 312 | ELLSmore | matthew | M | harbord | 6,22.39 |
| 213 | Richardson | heather | F | St leonards | 5.51.26 | 313 | limbrey | michael | M | campbellown | 0.23.15 |
| 214 | barker | JoE | M | fairlight | 5.51.57 | 314 | AVERY | heath | -M | CAMPERDOWN | 6.23.16 |
| 215 | POWELL | anne | F | mosman | 5.52.02 | 315 | MURPHY | DEREK | M | dargan | 6.23.47 |
| 216 | kimbrey | вов | M | appin | 5.52.26 | 316 | robinson | TONY | M | civic square (pt | 6.24 .19 |
| 217 | harris | STEPHEN | M | berala | 5.52.40 | 317 | BUKUYA | allan | M | CARLINGFORD | 6.24.20 |
| 218 | theakston | paul | M | ivanhoe | 5,52.54 | 318 | cox | ROCER | M | davidson | 6.25.14 |
| 219 | SIMPSON | Jonatian | M | forrestrield | 5.53.06 | 319 | mCCONVILLE | debra | F | Wectcourt | 6.26.01 |
| 220 | Griffin | Mark | M | berkeley vale | 5.53.10 | 320 | MEN2 | MICHAEL | M | WILCMOT | 6,26.06 |
| 221 | CAMPbell | tina | F | lane cove | 5.53.11 | 321 | millar | EVAN | M | Greenwich | 6,26.34 |
| 222 | BROWN | mark | M | manly | 5.53.13 | 322 | harris | TREVOR | M | bonython | 6,27.12 |
| 223 | tinker | kevin | M | chain valley | 5.53.25 | 323 | delaney | RICHARD | M | катоомва | 6.27.34 |
| 224 | mCloughis | ANDREW | M | катоомва | 5.53.45 | 324 | FORD | GLENN | M | manly vale | 6.27.38 |
| 225 | bousfiel | ANTHONY | M | St marys | 5.54.13 | 325 | Estall | NEIL | M | BOND: | 6.27.54 |
| 226 | TREMONT | STEVE | M | armidale | 5.54.17 | 326 | thomas | :ANCE | M | NHLi.jnbuy | 6.27.56 |
| 227 | Grimes | aidan | M | Castle hill | 5.54.19 | 327 | thomas | ChERYL | F | NHULUNBUY | 6.27 .57 |
| 228 | HoOk | GEOFF | M | mount haverley | 5.54.35 | 328 | hUGHES | WARREN | M | Chester hicl | 6.28.31 |
| 229 | aUstin | mark | M | mount irvine | 5.54.41 | 329 | holmes | netta | F | wellington | 6.28 .38 |
| 230 | THOMPSON | carol | F | mosman | 5.54.42 | 330 | Storey | DON | M | north ryde | 6.28 .39 |
| 231 | CUNNINGHAM | terry | M | manly vale | 5.55.11 | 331 | Stevenson | LOUISE | $F$ | MANLY | 6. 28.40 |
| 232 | Davidson | kathry | F | bronte | 5.55.14 | 332 | YOUNG | DERRICK | M | CROWS nest | 6.28 .41 |
| 233 | WYE | gratam | M | SEAFORTH | 5,55.34 | 333 | ATKINSON | John | M | ALFORDS POINT | 6.28 .47 |
| 234 | davel | corrie | M | the gap | 5.55.36 | 334 | Everett | lindsay | M | wyoming | 6.29.05 |
| 235 | Rigby | roger | M | hahroonga | 5.55.44 | 335 | DORNBRACK | dave | M | lane cove | 6.29 .09 |
| 236 | gibson | alan | M | neutral bay | 5,55.46 | 336 | WARD | mike | M | balmain | 6.29.39 |
| 237 | morrisey | david | M | QUEENSCliff | 5.55.57 | 337 | EGAN | tim | M | mosman | 6.29.42 |
| 238 | CHRISTISON | heather | F | moss vale | 5.55.58 | 338 | Conroy | brian | M | Cremorne | 6.29 .46 |
| 239 | sharp | DREW | M | balmain | 5.57.23 | 339 | Laidlan | Deborah | $F$ | SEàforth | 6.30.10 |
| 240 | heffernan | wayne | M | engadine | 5,58.15 | 340 | MASON | craig | M | seaforth | 6.30.11 |
| 241 | WhYTE | lisanne | F | naremburn | 5.58.16 | 341 | carrigan | John | M | MOREE | 6.30.12 |
| 242 | SMITH | mark | M | armidale | 5.58.30 | 342 | POTtER | Robert | M | noraville | 6,30.13 |
| 243 | BEHRENS | JонN | M | emu plains | 5.59.14 | 343 | SCALLEY | ben | M | WINSTON HILLS | 6.30 .15 |
| 244 | Stewart | glen | M | engadine | 5.59.43 | 344 | DUNNE | kevin | M | girraween | 6.30 .24 |
| 245 | hancock | bruce | M | rusheutters bay | 5,59.58 | 345 | Sturgess | paul | M | chester hill | 6,30.27 |
| 246 | kiraly | monica | F | gladesville | 6.00 .22 | 346 | Johnson | Craig | M | Wilioughay | 6.30 .43 |
| 247 | Kilham | MICK | M | guildford | 6.00 .52 | 347 | ROWSE | Jane | F | lane cove | 6.30.57 |
| 248 | Smith | Les | M | kogarah | 6.01.13 | 348 | BONSING | JOHN | M | eftalong beach | 6.31 .09 |
| 249 | papalia | jonathan | M | lindfield | 6.01 .52 | 349 | Fiedler | manfred | M | Pennart hills | 6.31.12 |
| 250 | mCCARTHY | WAYNE | M | longueville | 6.01 .53 | 350 | allen | malcolm | M | hagga wagga | 6.31.13 |
| 251 | montgomery | вов | M | hentworthuille | 6.02 .26 | 351 | BOSWELL | PHILIP | M | LEIChHARDT | 6.31 .41 |
| 252 | GOLDEN | TONY | M | maroubra | 6.02 .45 | 352 | FULLER | deborah | F | momahons point | 6.31.51 |
| 253 | FREYS | IVAN | M | PENNANT HILLS | 6.03 .16 | 353 | haslam | michelle | F | mosman | 0.31 .52 |
| 254 | white | carl | M | wyoming | 6.03 .17 | 354 | tay:or | STEPHEN | M | cherrybrook | 6.32 .19 |
| 255 | Clifion | Philip | M | bronte | 6.03 .39 | 355 | tilier | kevin | M | berowra | 6.32.27 |
| 256 | KNuTSEN | Chris | M | faulconbridge | 6.03 .48 | 356 | HURT | ANDREW | M | ILLANONG (MENAI) | 6.32.51 |
| 257 | de souza | kevin | M | woollahra | 6.04 .33 | 357 | Rannard | BILL | M | georges hall | 6.33.03 |
| 258 | Jones | WENDY | F | armidale | 6.04.34 | 358 | RYAN | 2NTHONY | M | ha:tara | 6.33 .25 |
| 259 | JEFFERD | ChRIS | M | Chatswood | 6.04 .41 | 359 | hall | bruce | M | As3otsford | 6.33 .41 |
| 260 | Gleeson | katie | F | wollstonecraft | 6.04 .45 | 360 | Jones | belinda | F | woilstonecraft | 6.33 .50 |
| 261 | boeker | JUDD | M | Chifley | 6.06 .00 | 361 | thiele | samantha | F | Cremorne | 6.33 .51 |
| 262 | stollery | PHIL | M | катоомвa | 6.06 .10 | 362 | COLE | WARREN | M | migraths hill | 6.34.06 |
| 263 | barton | joanne | F | manly | 6,06.16 | 363 | beattie | SCOTT | M | BOND: | 6.34.24 |
| 264 | GARDNER | JIM | M | Glen innes | 6.07 .03 | 364 | brugceman | STEPHEN | M | Rhodes | 6.35.23 |
| 265 | BOWEN | ROGER | M | RIChmond | 6.07.35 | 365 | bailey | richard | M | bailikham hills | 6.35 .35 |
| 266 | bischoff | eckart | M | mosman | 6.09 .04 | 366 | raymono | geoff | M | Pajstow | 6.37.10 |
| 267 | WAYNE | laima | F | gymea | 6.10 .37 | 367 | Fie:G | marl | M | pajoington | 6.37.12 |
| 268 | kISS | JENNIFER | F | macquarie fields | 6.10.45 | 368 | Rank | Ian | M | Leion | 6.37.27 |
| 269 | newsome | tania | F | Abbotsford | 6.10.46 | 369 | WEbB | Paul | M | k: inarney vale | 6.37 .46 |
| 270 | Crawford | LYNN | F | willoughey | 6.10 .47 | 370 | ONEILL | barry | M | buxton | 6.38.36 |
| 271 | taylor | Robert | M | menai | 6.10.57 | 37: | bruce | brad | M | kensington | 6. 39.36 |
| 272 | Spokes | gratam | M | hagga magga | 6.10.58 | 372 | tibeitts | marianne | F | :こ: | 6.40.13 |
| 273 | mCKEnzie | cameron | M | croydon | 6.11.10 | 373 | tegart | Gregory | M | bensuille | 6.40 .32 |
| 274 | DIPPLE | alasdair | M | helensburgh | 6,11.22 | 374 | sturch | RODNEY | M | B:Rrong | 6.40 .54 |
| 275 | - Connor | ann | F | mosman | 6.11.24 | 375 | OLMSTEAD | ЈонN | M | ::Sofield | 6.40 .57 |
| 276 | kinchin | marilyn | F | kogarah | 6.11.40 | 376 | butler | Richard | M | castiecrag | 6.41 .00 |
| 277 | francis | anne | F | dee why | 6.11.54 | 377 | WES': | andrew | M | sutherland | 6.41.15 |
| 278 | briggs | dennis | M | sutherland | 6.12.25 | 378 | harvey | philip | M | crescent head | 6.41 .20 |
| 279 | flarrety | KENSETH | M | burwood | 6.13.16 | 379 | hooke | вов | M | cinbridge park | 6.42 .08 |
| 280 | LUKINS | anthony | M | earlwood | 6.13.23 | 380 | Goddard | ray | M | ejensor park | 6.42.17 |
| 281 | anderson | vic | M | ingleburn | 6.13.58 | 38: | puller | yvonne | F | arcadia vale | 6.43.34 |
| 282 | lilley | david | M | pelaw main | 6,14.10 | 382 | matthens | Ian | M | bondi | 6.43.36 |
| 283 | white | keith | M | the rocks sydney | 6.15.05 | 383 | GILL | GARY | M | Euj piains | 0.43 .43 |
| 284 | COOPER | peter | M | killarney vale | 6.15 .11 | 384 | GRIffith | susan | F | cistie cove | 6.43.47 |
| 285 | BEST | WILLIAM | M | bellevue hill | 6.15 .46 | 385 | cocks | NEIL | M | mase cove | 6.43 .48 |
| 286 | Crosby | Tony | M | mosman | 6.15. 47 | 38. | Croft | STEVE. | $\cdots$ | nescuille | 6.14.13 |
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| 289 | davis | WAYNE | M | orange | 6.15.52 | 389 | Grimshan | nicola | F | siorth syoney | 0.46 .02 |
| 290 | FICKEL | вов | M | cronula | 6.16.11 | 390 | Robards | MARY | F | emole vale | 0.46 .37 |
| 291 | glapiak | charlie | M | fennells bay | 6.16.17 | 39: | robards | bernadette | F | eniule vale | 6.46.38 |
| 292 | LANCE | tonia | F | arcadia vale | 6.16.18 | 392 | F:Sher | albert | M | PEAKHURST | 6. 46.39 |
| 293 | brierley | LEN | M | bossley park | 6.16.51 | 393 | - TOOLE | allan | M | syevan:a | 6.46.40 |
| 294 | Sanders | martin | M | Surry hills | 6.18 .02 | 394 | GREENHILL | SEAN | M | w:spalee | 6.46.41 |
| 295 | BLAYDON | STEPHEN | M | leichhardt | 6.18 .03 | 395 | Chapmas: | doug | M | cains мgbar | 6.46 .49 |
| 296 | murray | wayne | M | banksia | 6.18.04 | 396 | Enclish | MERV | M | DEE why | 6.46.50 |
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| 298 | bsdFord | dennis | M | razorback | 6.18 .15 | 398 | brennan | PETER | M | RE':ESBY | 6.49 .23 |
| 299 | WEIR | KEN | M | watsons bay | 6.18.33 | 399 | RENSFORD | brian | M | yerryinnos | 6.49 .24 |
| 300 | BOYDELL | douglas | M | ryde | 6.18.57 | 100 | parsonage | Ross | M | tiñamurra | 6.49 .38 |



## $6^{\text {th }}$ March 1999 by Nigel Coldrick

It is four years since I last did the six foot track and I enjoyed this run so much I wonder why it took me so long to come back. Probably because there are so many good runs available that I just haven't found the time to fit in this run on a regular basis.

In I 998 for the first time in many years I did not run any marathons or ultra marathons as a new job and accounting study took up a lot of my time. It was not until January that I decided that I should put in the effort to run the Rotorua marathon on the $1^{\text {st }}$ of May and that I'd better get lit fairly quickly. A couple of 32 km training runs and then a steady 35 km training run with no problems - I even began to enjoy them - convinced me that another six foot track marathon would be a good training session towards building my base fitness back up. Unlike road marathons where I try to run to a kilometre rate in the six foot track the scenery and atmosphere lends itself to an enjoyable jog through the bush.

The race starts at the explorers' tree at Katoomba and traversing 47 kilometres of undulating country to finish at Jenolan Caves. With a record field of 543 runners it was a bit congested at the start. The weather had been wet in recent weeks and with today going to be a hot 28 degrees with no clouds there would be a lot of humidity. The track filters into a single file path down to Nellies' Glen and is almost vertical in places. The top 100 seeded runners were able to start from the front and the rest were left to fight for positions. As I started near the back of the licld it took 32 minutes to do the 2 kms or so down to the base of the incline. As we walked down, and even stopped for several seconds at a time, you could enjoy the rainforest atmosphere as a stream trickled down next to the bell birds and us were singing. It was quite cool in this shaded area and we were enjoying it while we could. The runners were full of chatter at this stage with some relaxed and some getting agitated at not being able to run yet.

When we reached Nellies' Glen we were able to start running on the track beside the river. The conditions were still good at this stage with plenty of shade and a cool breeze. I passed about 40 or so runners even though I was still only in a casual jogging mode. The reason I was passing so many is that many runners are border line in making the 7 hour cut-off limit. By getting a front position at the start gives them up to 15 minutes advantage down the incline and therefore can be the difference between finishing and being pulled out of the race.

On the hour mark I passed Kon Sotiropoulos of the A.C.T. Veterans who had got away to a reasonable start. At this stage we were becoming a little bit more exposed to the sun and it was getting warm. Several runners looked like they had taken a dip in the river as the humidity began to draw the sweat out of the body. The path narrowed back to single file for about 5 kilometres along the stretch to the river crossing. It was a pretty slow pace and I felt a little frustrated. It was not worth passing anyone as there was a continuous line of runners all the way ahead.

The river crossing was uneventful with the water being below waist height. The race really starts from this point as the path becomes a four wheel drive track and gives plenty of room for runners to overtake. This is the start of the toughest section with 8 kilometres of fairly sleep climbing. Any runner that can maintain even a jog will make up a lot of time as many of the competitors are reduced to walking. I managed to run about of half of this climb and must have passed at least a hundred competitors. It is fairly exposed on the climb and the sweat was running down me as if I was standing under a shower. At each drink station I was having at least three cups of water and at a couple of stations had five cups. There were plenty of drink stations and they were well set up with water, maxim and fruit for the competitors.

The next 10 kilometres consists of a continuous but gentle rise to the main Jenolan Caves road. This section was on a well graded forest road with plenty of shade. Most of the runners around me were maintaining a steady run along this section and there was very little movement in overall positions. Some of the Sydney Striders had cyclists come down the trail to encourage them and discuss the relative performances of runners up ahead. Due to the humidity there had been a large number of casualties with cramp and dehydration. The lcading lady with 14 kilometres to go suffered badly and dropped to a walk and eventually finished in about $9^{\text {th }}$ place.

When reaching the Jenolan Caves road there is 10 kilometres to go of which about 5 kilometres is along the tarmac with no shade. Luckily there was a fairly strong head wind to cool the competitors down. I still felt fairly fresh at this stage and passed a few more runners before turning off the road and back on to the bush track with5 kilometres remaining. Being forced to take it easy at the start by the number of slower competitors had its advantage in that I was feeling good and actually enjoying myself at the end of a race.

The last 5 kilometres undulates slightly before a 3 kilometre downhill run into the finish at Jenolan Caves. The downhill section is quite steep and this was the only part of the race where I actually felt a bit sore in the legs.

Greg Love has won this race on many occasions but had to settle for $3^{\text {rd }}$ place today. The winner was Stephen Ikin in a time of 3 hrs 43 minutes and 45 seconds. Second was Nigel Aylott in 3 hr 44 m 22 s and Greg Love in 3hr 48m 16s. The first female was Dawn Tiller in 4 hrs 23 m 23 s .

Craig Wisdom from Canberra did well to finish $12^{\text {th }}$ in 4 hr 14 m 21 s and Hugh Jorgensen the President of the Cross Country Club finished $38^{\text {th }}$ in 4 hr 37 m 32 s . There were 543 competitors (another record number). There were 34 known competitors that did not finish the course. Unfortunately Kon Sotiropoulos was one of these and this must have been bitterly disappointing as he`d finished the run quite comfortably on three other occasions.

## ADT 50 <br> AURA DAM TRAIL 50 km - 21 March, 1999 <br> RACE REPORT

Another race record and another fine win to the inform Nigel Aylott. Nigel cruised around the course on an ideal day (rain and drizzle to keep things cool) in a new course record of 4:20:28 Congratulations Nigel!

Nigel is the 1st person (another record?) to win both of my trail races in the same year when he also took out the Bogong to Hotham race in January. It's a good thing for both Nigel and me that I don't organise another $1 / 2$ dozen races throughout the year.

Mark Phillips wasn't far behind Nigel the whole way and was always ready to pounce if Nigel had have faltered anywhere around the course. Well run Mark!

Kelvin Marshall and Kevin Cassidy are the only runners to have completed all ADT 50s (5 total), so I have to organise the race again next year to see if only one is left standing. I might have to ban Kevin because he tried a bit of blackmail on the organiser before the start, which was quickly put down. It's amazing what lengths some unscrupulous people go to.

Brian Simmons again donated a superb wooden mounted clock (made by George Start) to the winner. Thanks ever so much Brian for your generous support. George also made 3 other smaller wooden mounted clocks for presentation to 2 nd, 3 rd and 4 th. Thank you also George for your generosity again this year. All recipient thoroughly enjoyed their beautifully made prizes (from local timbers).

On behalf of all competitors, my sincere thanks to all helpers for making the (wet) day so enjoyable for all the runners:

Ross Shilston at Carters Gap, Dom Dom Saddle and the finish
Yoko Davies \& Atsuko Kobayashi at Black Spur, Dom Dom Saddle \& the finish Brian Flynn at Dom Dom Saddle
Clive Davies at 26.5 km instead of 25 km
Greg Wilson at Mt Monda
Tony Payne at Mt St Leonard
Ivor Carter at the Marathon point
Peter Armistead at Donelleys Weir
Car shuffle-Brian Flynn, Brian Simmons \& RossShilston
A light blue golf shirt (collar with short sleeves) was handed in. Does this belong to anyone?
Till next year's race (19th March, 2000) stay fit and healthy.


## GEOFF HOOK

Your Unscrupulous Race Organiser

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# ADT 50 <br> AURA DAM TRAIL 50 km <br> 21ST MARCH, 1999 

## RESULTS

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| 1. Nigel AYLOTT * | 32 | Vic | 0:37:44 | 0:52:15 | 1:19: - | 1:35:25 |  | 2:36: - | 3:12:45 | 3:39:30 | 4:07: - | 4:20:28 * |
| 2. Mark PHILLIPS | 47 | Vic | 0:41:44 | 0:55:15 | 1:24: - | 1:42:35 | 2:27: - | 2:49: - | 3:29:10 |  | 4:27: - | 4:41:41 |
| 3. Kelvin MARSHALL | 34 | Vic | 0:44:04 | 0:58:15 | 1:27: - | 1:45:00 | 2:41: - | 3:01: - | 3:42:50 | 4:14:20 | 4:41: - | 4:54:09 |
| 4. Raymond WASCHL | 29 | Vic | 0:44:14 | 0:59:15 | 1:30: - | 1:46:35 | 2:41: - | 3:02: - | 3:45:15 | 4:14:40 | 4:43: - | 4:56:25 |
| 5. Andrew HEWAT | 35 | Vic | 0:44:09 | 0:58:15 | 1:27: - | 1:45:05 | 2:43: - | 3:07:30 | 4:02:10 | 4:34:15 | 5:05: - | 5:20:32 |
| 6. David STYLES | 49 | Vic | 0:47:44 | 1:05:00 | 1:38: - | 1:57:45 | 2:51: - | 3:16: - | 4:06:05 | 4:39: - | 5:12: - | 5:36:33 |
| 7. Kevin CASSIDY | 38 | Vic | 0:39:24 | 1:08:50 | 1:42: - | 2:03:00 | 2:57: | 3:22: - | 4:11:30 | 4:49:40 | 5:22: - | 5:38:40 |
| 8. John HARPER | 51 | Vic | 0:49:34 | 1:09:35 | 1:49: - | 2:12:15 | 3:11: - | 3:38: - | 4:27:30 | 5:01: - | 5:34: - | 5:48:55 |
| 9. Emest HARTLEY | 49 | Vic | 0:57:44 | 1:18:55 | 1:55: - | 2:22:00 | 3:33: - | 4:01: - | 4:59:45 | 5:47: - | 6:23: - | 6:42:25 |
| 10. George CHRISTODOULOU | 59 | Vic | 0:51:04 | 1:18:50 | 1:58: - | 2:19:15 | 3:33: - | 4:03: - | 5:05:20 | 5:55: - | 6:33: - | 6:58:15 |
| 11. Peter NELSON | 58 | Vic | 0:57:44 | 1:24:50 | 2:13: - | 2:43:35 | 3:54: - | 4:21: - | 5:23:05 | 6:05: - | 6:42: - | 7:09:35 |

* Course / Event Record


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by Kevin Cassidy

The trip out to the dam was spectacular as I motored along the Maroondah Highway out of Melbourne, the hot air balloons were out in the Yarra Valley and a large dark cloud was wrapped menacingly around the summit of Mt.St.Leonard.

Arriving at the start at Fernshaw picnic ground, I met up with all the regular ultra nuts and the sarcasm was flying thick and fast. Before the race had even started I had managed to drop all my powerbars and squeezies in a pool of mud then slip over on the brick path while heading
to the toilets. Eventually the 11 starters were sent on their way by Race
Director, Geoff Hook. I had lent my car to the incomparable Peter Armistead who would be travelling to various aid stations [A risky move, I reckon !!!!] and he popped up in all sorts of unusual places. The race soon became somewhat of a solo run as the small field stretched out [I didn't see a soul after 10 km . As I reached the Black Spur aid station at
16km I was greeted by Clive Davie's lovely wife, Yoko. As I lent forward to get some food I bumped my head on Yoko's clip board while she was busily trying to note my time, with Geoff Hook as a witness I thought I may be able to make a few dollars with an out-of-court settlement but all
Hookie could do was laugh and say "Hit him again" !!!!!!
A constant drizzle had set in and the weather was quite cool, what a contrast to last years event when we battled century plus heat. At 20 km the course crosses the Maroondah Highway and the race instructions clearly state that you should only cross on the instructions of a "competent race official", so why then was this job left to Ross Shilston
who tried his best to get me to run out in front of a 50 ton logging truck? Maybe he thinks he is in my will?

Running through the state forest was just magical as the mist nestled in the valleys and amongst the huge gum trees so it was a real shame to see a pile of used shotgun cartridges in this delicate and protected area. These morons must think they are war heroes as they blast away at our native creatures who couldn't possibly defend themselves, they truly are national heroes of whom we can all admire and be extremely proud !!!

Approaching half way, I was starting to pay the price of gross unfitness and my pace slowed. I passed Greg Wilson who was handing out drinks in the middle of nowhere and he said "I've got a piece of paper that says a bloke named Kevin Cassidy should have come passed here ages ago". I battled on up to the Mt.St. Leonard summit at 37 km and started the
steep drop down to the finish. Passing through Donnelly's Wier with 3 km to go, I caught sight of both Peter and my car, "Lookin' good there, Dad"
he said in his laconic drawl.
As I crossed the dam wall to the finish, I was glad that the cool weather had kept all the picnicers away because last year almost saw me have a head on crash with a group of elderly citizens on walking frames.

I had a long wait in the rain at the finish because Peter had my car and was out collecting the course markings and it was during this wait that Hookie realised that, for the first time, no one had got lost !!

With the race now over it was time to visit Brian Simmons at his nearby
home where we relived some great moments in the history of football before I started giving the game of cricket a well deserved "bagging". Next stop was a visit to the Feldman's farm where the injured Liz was proudly showing the video of her knee operation [yuk]. The trip back home
was slow in the pouring rain but $I$ enjoyed my stop for a Vegieburger at

## AURA DAM TRAIL 50KM, VIC 21ST MARCH, 1999


(Above)
Starters in 1999 ADT 50km Trail Race, Victoria, 21/3/99
N.B Kev Cassidy's
notorious yellow ute off to the side.
(Right)
George Christodoulou after finishing the ADT 50 km Trail is $3 / 4$ dead. (Below)

The winner, Nigel Ayloll with officials, Ross Shilston, Brian Simmons and Race Director, Geoff Hook


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| 2 | $2: 33: 59$ | $3: 11: 36$ | Mal | Grimmett | 33 | VIC |  |  |
| 3 | $2: 38: 58$ | $3: 13: 25$ | Trevor | Jacobs | 47 | ACT |  |  |
| 4 | $2: 44: 14$ | $3: 17: 17$ | Michael | Wheatley | 34 |  | VIC |  |
| 5 | $2: 48: 25$ | $3: 23: 22$ | Sandra | Timmer-Arends | 35 |  | VlC | (F |

## FRANKSTON TO PORTSEA 55KM ROAD RACE

## 18th April 1999 [Melbourne, Australia]

| 1. Tracey Macaw [F] | 4:15:()) |
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| 2. Max Gibbs | $4: 24: 28$ |
| 3. John Harper | $5:(0): 27$ |
| 4. Gcolf Hook | $5: 36: 53$ |
| 5: Geoff Rodgers | $5: 42:(0)$ |
| DNF Kevin Cassidy | 42 km |
| DNF Peter Nelson | 42 km |

## CONTINUING THE TRADITION

by Kevin Cassidy

Pete Ampistead, the sendi-olf commitice in this year's prestigious Frankston (t) Porisca Road Race, Vicloria,


This low key, self help, do as you please run got underway in ideal running conditions and boasting a bigger field than we have seen for several years with a grand total of seven runners in the 27th edition of this event since 1973. Max Gibbs had things looking half professional when the normal one page of instructions had been increased to three along with a $150 \%$ increase in the entry fee [from two dollars up to five] "That's for a bottle of wine for the winner" he laughed.
At approximately 7am our illustrious race director, Ross Shilston, said GO and we shuffled off from the Davey Street corner in the direction of Portsea to the applause of our send off committee which consisted of the old sea dog himself, Peter Armistead. It was a privilege to have 22 year old Tracey Macaw [nee Newton] amongst the field, the pint sized Tracey is a real pocket rocket having won the 1997 Melbourne Marathon as well as representing Australia. Also joining the runners were a group of youngsters out for a training run, they promised to stick with the field but quickly took off like rabbits and we didn't see them again until they came back the other way after 10 km or so.
I was moving along ok during the early stages of what is my favourite ultra and I was taking in all the scenery as the autumn leaves scattered across the highway, there were loads of cyclists out training and a continuing stream of restored vintage cars were parading back and forth along the road. After enjoying the undulations during the first half, the course takes us onto the beach road and we get to admire the bay for the rest of the course, it was at this stage that Ross came driving passed and assured me that I could now swim to the finish if I was so inclined.
I plodded on through 30km and I was fast realising that the niggling aches and pains that have plagued me over the last 18 months were only getting worse and worse. My aching back soon reduced me to a hunched over stagger and John Harper came charging by me looking confident and strong. I linally dragged myself to the 42 km point at the Dundas Street intersection at Rye and hobbled across the highway into the Mobil service station where I grabbed a Diet Coke and slumped across a pine log fence. I linally had to face the fact that, after 14 years of ultras, my body just can't do these things any more. As the Sunday morning traflic drove obliviously by, I sat for about 10 minutes sucking on my drink and holding back the tears as I cast my mind back over all the highs and lows since 1985. I guess it all ends right here in the gutter of the Nepean Highway, I think my future involvement with ultras will be reduced to handing out drinks and checking stop watches and if I am ever asked "Aren't you Kevin Cassidy?" I will be able to reply "No, but I used to be"
With the race still in Progress, I quickly came to my senses and composed myself. With the finish being at the gates to a national park it is always difficult to negotiate the last few hundred metres, this requires tired runners to get through large groups of tourists who wander about aimlessly with vacant expressions on their faces.
As this is a self help event, it always results in a number of amusing personal incidents and each runner that crossed the line had a funny story to tell. Although not finishing, Peter Nelson arrived at the gates in the local bus and reported that he DID manage to stay on course this year. Tracey recorded a stunning win over we mere males but it was not without incident, Cynthia [Tracey's mum] was walking with Tracey giving her a drink when kind and considerate Peter [Cynthia's brother] drove up to them so Cynthia didn't have to walk back to the car and, in doing so, ran over Cynthia's freshly poured cup of tea!
Max was only 500 metres from the finish when a lost motor cyclist pulled up beside him to ask for directions. With a full faced helmet on, all poor Max could hear was muffle muffle multle hhmmiffi hhmmifif !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!.

John Harper was a man on a mission and had gone out the previous night to plant drink bottles along the course, I guess it is lucky for John that this race doesn't coincide with "Clean up Australia day". Geoff Hook was happily plodding down the highway when race director Ross drove by to see how he was going. Grasping the opportunity, Hookie conned Ross into lending him 10 dollars which had poor Ross worrying because they were approaching a winery. Ross later claimed that Hookie paid him back with a counterfeit note.
With first timer, Geoff Rodgers, approaching the finish, the best story was about to be told. Geoff had taken a wrong turn at 20 km and ended up on the Peninsula Freeway. Pretty soon the police, with sirens blaring, had pulled up and Geoff, oblivious to his wrong turn, insisted that there were several runners up ahead. The police then took off after the "other runners" and Geoff continued along the freeway before rejoining the correct course at the next ramp. Geoff remained ignorant of his wrong turn until Ross drove up to him in Dromana and listened to his "police story". I had visions of the police spending all day roaring up and down the freeway in fruitless search for the "other runners".
With another Frankston to Portsea event completed, the Portsea area was becoming quite crowded as people were arriving to watch the start of the Melbourne to Osaka [Japan] yacht race.
Next years event has a tentative date of Sunday the 9th April
A history of the Frankston to Portsea event can be found at <www.coolrunning.com.au/ultra/frankston.shtml

## GLASSHOUSE TRAIL WALK, 50 KM -

## SUNDAY, 2 MAY 1999 - QUEENSLAND, AUSTRALIA

## by Melanie Jonker

After a 5 month gap between ultras I was really looking forward to walking the 50 km distance at the recently held Glasshouse Mountains Trail Runs. A rare treat for me this time was to actually have a personal crewperson looking after me.
Kevin (Cassidy) certainly was kept busy driving to the different aid stations and keeping me supplied with fluids and food. As well, he managed to take photos of the event, drive into the Glasshouse township and keep himself supplied with Diet Cokes and "munchies" as well as driving Bill Thompson home to his custard farm.
It wouldn't be a Glasshouse event if there wasn't some rainy weather! Saturday night it poured down for a couple of hours which resulted in some quite muddy parts on the trail. However, on Sunday morning there was evidence of a number of stars in the sky which boded well for the day. Kevin and I arrived at the starting point (base) just before 5 am . There were already a few runners and walkers preparing themselves for the 5.30 am start. It was a cool, brisk morning and I was reluctant to take my track suit off but alas the time came when I had to. I and the other participants were milling around waiting for the start rubbing our bare arms and trying to keep warm, when, Kevin, who was dressed in track pants, a long sleeved $T$ shirt and my jacket started complaining how cold it was!!! Now coming from a Victorian who is constantly boasting that Queensland doesn't know what cold is, I found this to be very amusing.
Ian Javes (Race Director) started the race and we all took off on a small 3.2 loop before returning to base and then completing two 23.9 loops (the distance was in fact 51 km ).
As the two other walkers had started half an hour earlier I was a bit worried about losing my way during the 3.2 km as it was still dark. Although I had a torch, it was still a bit daunting on my own in the dark. Eventually I lost sight of the runners in front of me but luckily Charlie Hall (a regular helper at these events) kindly waited to make sure I didn't "lose the plot" so early into the event. By the time I had gone through base and started on the first main loop the sun had risen so I tossed my torch to Kevin and was on my way.
I can still remember my first few Glasshouse events in 1996/97 when I was always apprehensive about the course (which is always different) as I wasn't used to walking through trails and up and down hills. However, after completing my 7th event, I have become quite familiar with the trails and what to expect. I never tire of the solitude of walking around these wonderful mountains away

Kevin met me at the tirst station (no 8) betore 1 made my way back to base (no 5). There were a few wet areas, however, I managed to get through them without any mishaps. Kevin had already started calculating what time I would reach no 5 based on the time it took me to reach no 8 and his calculations were quite accurate. My walking pace didn't vary much throughout the whole event. Once through no 5 it was off to aid station no 6 . This section of trail includes the infamous Hennessey's Hill which at one stage used to scare the living daylights out of me, but now I look forward to it as I know that there's no way this hill is going to get the better of me! Walking around and over these mountains during the last couple of years has certainly made me a lot fitter when it comes to climbing hills.
After a quick stop at no 6 , I came to a part in the trail which I always think as one of the most spectacular sights. Although only a dirt road, as you turn the corner and are confronted by it, the vista literally takes your breath avay. The road dips down steeply and then rises steeply and it looks as if it goes on forever. The first time I saw this road I was positive I'd never make it up the other side but surprisingly it's only when you're about three quarters up the other side that you
realise there's not much to go and it wasn't that bad at all! Before I knew it I was back at base and ready for the second loop.
After replenishing my water bottle and other supplies it was back around Mt Beerwah to aid station no 8. Psychologically I was feeling better because I was more than half way through the event, however, I was feeling a bit tired but determined not to slow my pace too much. I had a quick drink and something to eat at no 8 and was on my way back to base. Although there is quite a bit of uphill walking throughout the event, there is also as much downhill and my quads and knees were starting to scream out in pain by now. There were quite a few finishers around base by the time I reached there and it was a bit deflating to know that I still hadn't finished. Weather conditions by now were still great - in fact it didn't get really warm at all so I was thank ful for that.
After more fluids I was off to no 6 to tackle Hennessey's Hill for the last time! After leaving no 6, I was again confronted by the long downhill road followed by the uphill climb. Once I reached the top it wasn't long before I was entering the final stages of the event. Kevin met me at various points - snapping photos and giving me heaps of encouragement. Two kilometres to go and I could see base - my legs were aching but nothing was going to stop me now. After being on the trail for 7:32:13 I crossed the finish line with a sense of weariness and elation that I'd finished yet another ultra.
As usual, thanks must go to Ian Javes and his many assistants for providing three challenging courses. Congratulations to the other two 50 km walkers - Kerrie Hall and Peter Lewis (who walked 50 km for the first time). Also, special thanks to my personal crewperson, Kevin Cassidy, who kept me "fed and watered" and gave me so much positive encouragement and feedback during and after the event.
I am now looking forward to September's Glasshouse event.

## RESULTS -

## 2 MAY 1999

1st Greg Barton
2nd Graham Medill
3rd Ed Matterson
4th Graeme Walker
5th Maureen O'Looughlin (F)
6th Rainer Newmann
7th Daryl Watts
$=8 \mathrm{th}$ Bob Burns
$=8 \mathrm{th}$ Ron Green
10th Ronald Dunglison
11th Sandra Dunglison (F)
12th Poh Suan Neumann (F)
13th Vicki Tanner (F)
14th Melanie Jonker (F) (Walker)
15th Kerrie Hall (F) (Walker)
16th Peter Lewis (Walker)

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Coburg 24 Hour Carnival - Victorian 24 Hour Track Championship Noon $8^{\text {th }}$ May to Noon $9^{\text {th }}$ May 1999
Venue: Harold Stevens Athletic Track, Coburg

## Report by Bernie Goggin

Saturday was cloudy and cool with a light breeze - ideal for running long distances. The event included 14 Ultra athletes and three relay teams.

The teams were the "Young Guns", a group of young enthusiastic and fast athletes lead by Chris Erickson; Coburg Little Athletics, ably organised by Evan Trapalis; and a Coburg Harriers Team. Each team comprised 10 runners, each running 30-minute legs over the 24 hours. The Little Athletics team had 20 members running successive 15-minute periods.

The Ultra runners included 43 year old Yiannis Kouros, world record holder for 200 $\mathrm{km}, 150$ miles, 250 km and 24 hours ( 303.5 km ). Cliff Young also competed; he is 77 years old and looked very fit - apart from sore feet from digging potatoes in bare feet!

At 11.30 am, Mark Matthews withdrew from the Harriers Team due to injury and while we were scratching our heads seeking a replacement, in walked Jerry Davey, dressed in singlet and shorts and said 'Any chance of a run?'

The race started at 12 noon with Yiannis heading off strongly, heading the field including the relay teams. A nice touch during the opening laps was Ultra Walker Phil Essam competing against his 6 year old daughter Laura, who was running for the Little Athletics Team.

By 3.30 pm, Helen Stanger (NSW), last year's overall winner, was out with hamstring trouble after completing 87 laps.

At 8.00 pm , under light cloud cover the weather was cool but the breeze had dropped. Yiannis Kouros had already covered 264 laps followed by Andrew Lucas (Tas) at 193 laps. The leading Relay team was behind Yiannis at 250 laps.

All runners and walkers were looking very strong at this stage and seemed inspired by the mild evening atmosphere.

Yiannis incredibly was outperforming all the relay teams and for 4 hours lapped at under 1 min 50 sec . He covered 84.4 km (2 marathons) in 6 hr 15 min 54 sec .

By midnight the scene was changing. The Young Guns team (384 laps) had just edged ahead of Yiannis Kouros ( 378 laps). Andrew Lucas (267 laps), was showing signs of leg soreness and was being pressed by Jerry Zukowski (255 laps).

Tim Erickson has pulled out at 4 hr (101 laps) and Shayne Walthers, who had planned to run 8 hr in this her first Ultra, completed 9 hr ( 152 laps).

At 4.30 am , the temperature was relatively mild at $10^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. Yiannis had completed 500 laps ( 200 km !) and went off the track for a shower and rest. He had a commanding
lead at this stage, being well ahead of his nearest rivals in Andrew Lucas (327 laps) and Jerry Zukowski ( 325 -laps). The Young Guns team was just ahead of Yiannis, which emphasises Yiannis' strong performance.

By 7.30 am Sunday, Yiannis had returned to the track still looking very strong and lapping regularly at 2 min 07 sec laps. The other Ultras were looking very tired and sore, particularly Andrew Lucas (left knee), Phill Essam, walker (sore legs) and Victor Hessell, who was out on his feet in his first 24 Hour race, but kept going somehow to the finish. Jerry Zukowski, Cliff Young, John Timms, Michael Grayling and Peter Gray however, were looking reasonable and in good spirits.

Daybreak always revives the runners' spirits and although it was overcast and quite cool, the anticipation of only a few hours to go seemed to bring out a fighting spirit in the flagging Ultra Athletes. This is when real raw courage is shown, the desire not to let time and distance beat the tortured legs and body. A very dry sense of humour also emerges.

The relay runners seemed to get a new lease of life when faced with their last 'shift'. The last few hours of an "Ultra" create a really unique atmosphere.

At the sound of the starting gun at 12 noon, the event ended with all competitors dropping their small sandbags to ensure accurate measurement of the distance covered.

The presentation ceremony is always special, with some classic comments from some of the Ultras, and with Cliffy bounding around the room and a crowd of enthusiastic supporters.

The event was lapscored for the first time entirely by computer, using 2 laptops with a third in reserve. A manual check pad was also used as a double check to the computer records. The computer software was developed by Malcolm Matthews and provided comprehensive information with the ready availability of regular printouts whenever required throughout the event.

The use of an industrial heater kept the clubrooms cosy and the plentiful supply of meals and snacks from the canteen made the clubrooms a comfortable haven for runners, helpers and supporters alike.

Masseur Michael Gillan made himself available for the full 24 hours, and is well respected by the Ultra runners.

Coburg Harriers members were generous with their support for the many tasks during the event, including lap scoring, kitchen duty and running in the relay team.
N.B. 1. Winner of the Gordon Burrowes Endurance Award was Victor Hessell pf Canberra
2. Cliff Young broke the unofficial world record for over 75 year olds for 24 hours. Wow!

Coburg 24 Hours Ultra Track and Team Relay
Victorian Track Championships 1999 Saturday $8^{\text {th }}$ May 1999 - Sunday $9^{\text {th }}$ May 1999

| Runners |  |  | Laps | Time (hh.mm.ss) | Km |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathrm{NaCl}^{\mathrm{NCO}} \rightarrow$ | 1 | Yiannis Kouros | 628 | 24:00:0- | 251.2 | +29m |
|  | 7 | Jerry Zukowski | 446 | 23:57:07 | 178.4 | +294m |
|  | 15 | Michael Grayling | 403 | 24:00:0- | 161.2 | $+8 \mathrm{~m}$ |
|  | 4 | \| Peter Gray | 378 | 23:55:26 | 151.2 | +320m |
|  | 2 | Cliff Young | 368 | 23:57:52 | 147.2 | +287m |
|  | 5 | Andrew Lucas | 364 | 22:14:36 | 145.6 | +386m |
|  | 11 | Victor Hessell | 335 | 23:46:05 | 134.0 | $+400 \mathrm{~m}$ |
|  | 12 | - Isak Ketsakidis | 317 | 24:00:0- | 126.8 | $+20 \mathrm{~m}$ |
|  | 6 | John Timms | 284 | 23:59:16 | 113.6 | +111m |
|  | 8 | Phil Essam (first walker) | 272 | 23:57:26 | 108.8 | +232m |
|  | 14 | Merv Lockyer | 251 | 18:16:51 | 100.4 |  |
|  | 10 | Shayne Walthers | 152 | 09:00:0- | 60.8 |  |
|  | 9 | Tim Erickson | 101 | 03:58:12 | 40.4 |  |
| ( | 3 | Helen Stanger | 87 | 03:10:35 | 34.8 |  |
| Teams |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | Young Guns | 720 | 23:59:18 | 288.0 | +214 |
|  |  | Coburg Harriers | 717 | 23:59:37 | 286.8 | +73 |
|  |  | Little Athletics | 573 | 23:59:17 | 229.2 | +160 |



Last year's winner, Helen Stanger and Tassie 52 runner, Andrew Lucas. Helen was forced to withdraw through injury this year.


No.11, Victor Hessell, winner of the first Gordon Burrowes Endurance Award, in his lirst 24 hour event trails Phil Essam, walking the event this year.

# "Ailmost a reguiar!" 

## Vic 24hr Track Championship

## Coburg, Vic, 8-9 May 99

## by Phil Essam

This year's 24 hr race at Coburg was to see my fifth start in a 24 hr Ultra and in some ways I was more nervous than my first start over ten years ago when I pulled out after completing 50 km . After the race last year and my minor success at smaller walking events in Adelaide I decided that I was a better walker than runner and this race was to be my first walking 24hr.

My training had been consistent during the year. Not a great deal of mileage but I was averaging about 80 km a week and had some more morale boosting placings in local walking events. The aim for the race was to walk 100 miles and we had it planned to walk the same speed all the way!

This race was also to be the first one that my six year old daughter was going to be present for the whole journey. "Now Laura. If you see Daddy hurting during the race don't worry I will get better". Get the picture! We were hoping that she would be able to sign up as part of the Coburg Little athletics team for the relay which would provide her with some distraction for the period!

After the usual expenses spent on the Essam Car, the trip over to Melbourne was very uneventful excepl for the high number of roadblocks, oops I mean roadworks between Adelaide and Melbourne. I was beginning to think that the roadworks were set up to deter Adelaide football fans from making the trip across to Melbourne. A friend of mine, Joe Wassenberg was also to make the trip over to assist with crewing for the weekend. Joe was the guy who put up the prizes for the 12 hr race that I put on last year.

We arrived in Melbourne on Thursday afternoon and after having our usual discussion on the merits of Melways as an atlas of any repute we eventually found our way to the Erickson family in Pascoe Vale who were
going to be our great hosts for the next four days. Tim has been a great source of information and help for me since my switch to racewalking and was more than happy to impart more knowledge during the next four days.

Friday was relatively quiet as we set the tent up at the track and did some last minute shopping at the local shopping centre. It was good to see that the field had grown to fourteen which included a couple of fresh faces and the usual diehards of the sport. We got back to the Erickson's on Friday afternoon and Merv Lockyer had arrived for the weekend. I had been in the same race as Merv a couple of years ago. He didn't remember me, but we were soon getting on. Merv was also more than willing to share his wealth of knowledge with the young student.

Saturday morning dawned and I was soon at the track catching up with my fellow competitors. The field included: Yiannis Kouros - the story going around the track was that he was only
doing 12 hours, Helen Stangar - publicly made her intentions clear that she was only doing 100 miles, Cliff Young - who could beat Cliff's two thousand km warm up jog a couple of months previous, John Timms has been rumoured that John would give the Dogs at Belmont Park a run for their money on a Saturday night, Peter Gray - who will still be running around every Ultra possible in another twenty years, Andrew Lucas - The Tassie Tiger or Terror! - Do you like that Andrew?, Michael Grayling - Top Victorian Ultra runner who was to display his love of certain nightwear in the small hours of the morning, Merv Lockyer experienced Centurion and heart of gold, Tim Erickson - Racewalking legend - in this for a 40 km run, Shayne Whalthers and Victor Hassell - Both in their first 24hr - Good to see new faces in the race, Phil Essam - First time Ultra walker, loves promoting the ultra sport and all round nice guy! Jerry Zukowski - Running at Coburg for first time - Very contented runner who loves running and has done 100 miles on the same day that Kouros broke the 300 km and Isak Ketsakidis - Much read about him!

I also met up with an old friend in Bev Car before the race. Bev had recently had hip replacement surgery and was only just walking again. During the ensuing 24 hours whenever I was to think of Bev she would appear within the next five minutes. Wonderful lady - I would love it if we were to become Centurions on the same day

Laura was to meet up with her fellow Little Athletics relay team members before the start of the race and was very quickly made to feel at home. She was elected to run the first two laps of the race and was soon lined up at the starting line with the other two relay runners and the Ultra competitors.

The gun went off and we were soon on our way. I was followed around the first two laps by a determined Laura. The crowd, including my wife were trying to encourage her to go past me, but she wouldn't. What a good girl! I was walking well and ended up with 19 laps under my belt for the first hour. This was way ahead of my projected schedule - but was feeling good so kept it going.

The second and third hours went by and I had another 38 laps on the board. My crew seemed happy, I was happy and I was feeling good about the 100 miles. It was an overcast afternoon and just slightly on the chilly side. At least it was better than last year's weather.

The first withdrawal happened about 4.30 pm when Helen Stangar withdrew with a hamstring injury. She was being very sensible in not pushing it and risking making it worse. Helen is a great Australian champion who always has a good word for everyone on the track. I hope I'm there to see her run some more good races in the next few years. What a pity the Adelaide 24hr isn't on a good track! She also has a great friend and crew member in Bill Hick( Chicken Legs - Belinda made me type that Bill!) who is a great character of the sport.

Nightfall was soon upon us and by then I had walked with most of the competitors in the field. One runner who was running a very sensible race was Victor Hassell from the ACT. It was his first 24hr and he was plodding along at a very comfortable 7 kms an hour. I nicknamed him the "Phantom" after a while, as you would only know that he was there because of his shadow lurking in the background.

It was about eight o clock that night when I paid the price for my excellent start and the wheels started to fall off. It was then that Belinda and I worked out that 100 miles was out of reach today and 100 km was the next aim. I kept trudging on and the clock kept ticking. Andrew Lucas was in second place at this stage and waiting for Kouros's expected retirement at the 12 hour mark. As to be expected, Kouros was in the lead but it was nothing special and he looked a shadow of his former self compared with two years ago at Kensington.

By midnight I had 72.4 km on the board and it was a new PB. I had walked 72 km in a 12 hour period at the Prison two months early. Every step now was unchartered territory in my new walking career. It was at this point that I went in to see Michael in the Massage area. It was definitely a better experience than my break two years ago at Coburg. Great man with a Midas touch!

I was soon back on the track and plodding around. My slowest lap was ten minutes which was a definite improvement on a couple of years ago. Kouros was still running around which once again was going to leave the
rest of the field to fight out the minor placings. Merv Lockyer was walking well and it was a great inspiration to see him walking so upright and at a constant pace. Jerry Zukowski was comfortably heading
fOr his 100 miles, Cliff Young was shuffling along at his usual pace and Michael Grayling appeared in his pyjamas( which was an excellent idea to combat the cold of the night).

I had my usual three -four lap surges during the night which was proof that I am slowly getting better at this Ultra business. By six o clock in the morning I had ninety kilometres to my name and Merv Lockyer had brought up his hundred and headed home for bed. This gave me the motivation to keep going and get past Merv's 100! I was to eventually reach my 100 km by eight thirly in the morning and was over the moon.

The race was developing into a very interesting situation over the last few hours with twenty kilometres separating second to fifth. Jerry Zukowski was in second and Andrew Lucas, Michael Grayling, Cliff Young and Peter Gray weren't very behind him. I was probably guilty of throwing my support behind a couple of them over the last few hours. It was good fun and it gave me some reason to work harder for a while.

It was about ten o clock in the morning when my Laverton e-mail friend, Brian Hamer arrived at the track and was too walk a couple of laps with me during the last couple of hours. Brian has ambitions to complete the Centurion target in the next couple of years. The clock continued to count down and it was with ten minutes to go that I went for another surge and completed another two and three quarter laps. The gun went off and I fell into the arms of my great crew, Belinda and Joe.

Once again I cried tears of joy and relief. I had completed 111.13 km , which was 8 kms further than my first run/walk Ultra two years previously. Good news for the future.
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Yiannis Kouros ended up winning the race with 250km, Jerry Zukowski finished second with 170 plus kms and Michael Grayling ended up finishing third. Cliff Young also ran 151 km which will probably be a new
75 plus age group record. Definitely the inspiring run of the race!
The presentations were underway much quicker than last year. My daughter was called up to draw the raffle - she definitely left her influence on the Club. I ended up winning the walkers trophy for the event. I did win it by default with Mery going off after finishing his 100 km , but it was still a great confidence booster. I guess I will have to pencil this event in once again next year as I will have to defend my trophy! All in all it was a great event. I hope Coburg can attract some more relay teams from outside the Club next year. Thanks to everyone, most of all my wife and my new Walking family( Tim, Merv and Bev), who continue to help and inspire me with my efforts. Now where's that Greek language dictionary!

Inaugural Westfield winner, Cliff Young once again wrote himself into the record books when he ran 151 km plus at the Victorian 24 hr Track championship at the Coburg Harriers track in Melbourne, Australia on May 8/9. It will hopefully be ratified as a new 75 plus 24 hour record and it was definitely the awe inspiring performance of the race.

The race was won by Yiannis Kouros who ran 250 km approximately. He entered the race with the purpose of beating some of the smaller Record marks ( 12 hour - 100 miles) but compared with his fantastic performance at Adelaide in 97 he never looked on target to achieve anything outstanding during the course of the race. He left at the 17 hour mark with 200 kilometres to his name which was almost two hours outside his Adelaide record for 200 km . He came back at 7 that morning and brought up another 50 km before the bell rung at midday.

Last year's winner Helen Stangar entered the race with the intention of having a go at the Women's 100 mile record, but suffered a hamstring injury early in the race and sensibly withdrew by 4 o clock on the Saturday afternoon.

The minor placings were an interesting battle with less than twenty kilometres seperating second to sixth place. Whyalla runner Jerry Zukowski finished second, followed by Michael Grayling, Peter Gray, Cliff Young and Andrew Lucas.

Two walkers lined up for the event. Centurion Merv Lockyer entered the race with the intention of completing a 100 km training run. He completed that with relative ease by the 18 hour mark leaving first time racewalker, Phil Essam to go past him and complete 111.13 km in his first Ultra Racewalk effort.

All in all it was a great race. Coburg Harriers should be congratulated. It was good to see some new faces in the field and it is hoped that they can start to attract some Relay teams for the event from outside the club. Official results will be posted when confirmed by Coburg Harriers Club.

Phil Essam

Les Clark, who always turns up to help as many ultra runners as possible. Thankx Les! Is he asleep on the job ???


## VICTORIAN 24 HOUR TRACK CHAMPIONSHIP

## It is worth looking at the history:-

In 1083 the first ever Sydney to Melbourne run began which was won by a potato farmer from The Outways, Cliff Young aged 63 who covered the $850+\mathrm{KM}$ in 5 days 15 hours and 4 minutes.
The 24 Hour run eventuated in 1984 from Dot Browne who organized a 24 hour race for Geoff Molloy, as he wanted to test himself before the Sydney to Melbourne ultra race. Thrown together in a hurry at the Box Hill track, Geoff set a new Australian record of 216KM, and then went on to win the Sydney to Melbourne race.
Margaret Smith achieves a women's record of 177 KM
1985 saw a field of 30 runners line up and Geoff Molloy Breaks his own record with 232KM.
1985 and the race becomes an official trial for the Sydney to Melbourne ultra run (200KM to qualify) and 44 runners start. Brian Bloomer sets a new Australian Record of 242KM. Cynthia Cameron breaks the women's record with 191KM.
The race leaves Box Hill track and comes to Coburg in 1988. The Sydney to Melbourne race is enjoying huge publicity and popularity. The 24 hour run has over 70 entries.
1989 sees the now deceased Mike March break the Australian record with 260KM.
The end of the Sydney to Melbourne run in 1991 brings a decline in ultra running.
In 1993 only 8 runners take part and Dot Brown steps down as race director. Coburg Harriers Athletic Club take over.
In 19) 4 Gordon Burrowes devises Relay Teams of ten runners. Each runner of the team runs for 30 minutes passing the baton onto the next member of the team. This continues in sequence for the duration of the event.This means that each member will run 4 or 5 times over the 24 hours. The concept proved a huge success. 13 Ultra runners entering and 11 relay teams. Russian, Igor Streltstov was the winner of the 24 hour covering 221 KM . Yan Yean Road Runners won the relay event.
In 1995 Yiannis Kouros sets an Australian record of 282.9818 KM or 707 Laps in a field of 11 ultra runners. The relay competition had 15 teams and was won by Yan Yean covering 380.89 KM or 952 laps. A little athletics team was amongst the entries, a team of 15 aged between 9 to 14 covering a distance of 647 laps. A field of 9 in 1996 saw Yiannis Kouros break his own world record and achieve a remarkable 294.504 KM despite running in strong wind and rain. Ten Relay teams competed with Y an Yean winning covering 384.4 KM. Carmella Carassi walks over 100 miles to become a centurion covering 162.541 KM.
The 1997 event went to Yiannis Kouros who, suffering injury, achieved a distance of 266.18 KM . A Field of 16 Ultra Runners competed, with Carmella Carassi breaking her own record, setting a distance of 166.6002 KM or 416 laps. 9 relay teams competed and Traralgon Harriers achieve an impressive 386.49 KM or 966 laps, which is still the course record.
1998 was the year that Helen Stanger, shattered three of her old Australian Records with 150km $15 \mathrm{hr} .01 \mathrm{~min}, 200 \mathrm{~km}-20 \mathrm{hr} .56 \mathrm{~min}$ and finishing with 228.680 km for the 24 hours. Andrew Lucas suffering burnt feet in a house fire, records 168.405 km . Shirley Young breaks the 100 miles as she approaches her 70th birthday with 162.330 km . Cliff Young is the inaugural recipient of the "Gordon Burrowes Endurance Award".
Note: The current world record of 303.506 KM is set by Yiannis Kouros during 4th/5th of October 1997 at Kensington Olympic Sports Field in Adelaide, Australia.



## Shoaihaven Ulitra 46K

## The Executive Summary-

## Sean Greenhill

Probably my best long distance race in terms of performance. Also my most physically demanding and debilitating (parlly because, I think, I'm now experienced enough, and becoming a strong enough runner, to be able to really draw out all my reserves in a race. Pity it leaves nothing left). The first two thirds contained the most beautiful terrain I've ever run in. Long Winded Version- I'd only decided to do the Shoalhaven Ultramarathon a few weeks back, when I couldn't get leave from work to run the Gold Coast Marathon yet wanted a long race in about that timeframe. My application was mailed off on the last possible day and I knew very little about the race- just that it started in Cambewarra (a town just outside Nowra) and followed 46K of road and fire trail to Kangaroo Valley. On the morning of the race, just 18 runners lined up for the big run (a shorter, 32K race, the King Of The Mountain (KOM), started an hour later at 9am). Darryl Chrisp was there, professing that he hadn't done a training run over 15 K in months and "gee, I might come last today!" In addition, I felt highly privileged to meet Kelvin Marshall for the first time before the race, fast becoming a legend in Australian distance running circles while still in his 30s. The first lew kilometres are through the quiet roads ol' Cambewarra, past some spacious properties on asphalt road. My legs felt really "blah" and yel to wake up. I found myself being left well behind by almost everyone (two people really coasted slowly behind me). Ahead of me, a guy with long blonde hair slowly vanished into the distance. I tried to pick up the pace and run him down a few times but the legs still wouldn't respond. I told myself to just hold at my own pace (again, I didn't pay much attention to my watch) and see what worked out. After a few kilometres the road started dipping and climbing steeply. I found that at the 10 K mark (or so) my legs had loosened up and I began to run hard, caught the guy in front and left him behind. I never saw him again. I was surprised how good the legs now felt on the climbs, taking short fast steps up the slopes of some very steep demading terrain, still on the road. Gradually the road changed from asphalt to gravel, then to hard packed dirt and rock. The course plunged into the bush, still rolling steeply. However, I felt good enough at the 11 K aid station to ask how lar ahead the next runner was. About 5 minutes, I was told. I suppose, because of the similar distance and nature of the race, Shoalhaven will always be compared to Six Foot Track. The latter is still more gruelling because of the more technical nature of the running surface, and has a pair of relentless climbs that take several kilometres and reduce you to a shuflling walk. The final descent is cruel. At Shoalhaven the climbs are also very steep, but not as relentless. The rolling nature of the course means there are enough downs and flat parts to ensure you run all the way, the effects of which would be quite evident in my legs later on. At the 19 K mark, well up the escarpment, I glanced over to my left and saw thick sub tropical forest leading down the slope to the Shoal haven River, then arcing up the slope on the other side and away to the hazy horizon. It was such a beautiful sight that I held my arms out like aeroplane wings and shouted out loud, "woo- hooh! This is terrilic!" At the 22K station where the Ultra and KOM courses diverge, I was told that the next guy was now fiilteen or twenty minutes ahead. Shrugging my shoulders I left the road and followed a fire trail right up and over the escarpment in total solitude. I set a fast pace and still ran the uphills. After an eternity of being alone, I emerged on an asphalt road at the 30 K aid station. My legs were tightening up now but I was still running hard. "How far ahead's the next guy, fellas?" "Four minutes." "Are you serious?" "Yeah, he just left." I swung onto the road and ran hard for a few minutes, then my pace slipped off and I walked a couple of times. At 35K I looked back and was horrified to see a figure advancing on me. Facing ahead, at the same moment I saw a flash of white- the guy ahead. I took off like a hare, breath rasping as I ran scared from the guy behind and tried to chase down the one in front. On a long downhill which I ran fast, my right quad began to tighten up. I caught the runner ahead, an American, right after that, but couldn't drop him. Then the guy behind overtook us both and took olf. The American and I switched the lead until 38 K when my right quad cramped horribly and reduced me to shuffling impotence. No choice now but to walk in extreme pain. After 15 minutes I passed the 39 K marker, and my watch indicated a time so far of 4.37 . I'd thought about sub 5 hours when running hard earlier, a time I'd not contemplated before the race, but now I thought about it again. Could I run 3K in 23 minutes like this? My mind said yes, my body no. Breaking into a shul'fling stride, the cramp subsided somewhat. Sweat ran into my eyes but I didn't mind that pain as long as I was going forward. By the time I reached Kangaroo Valley for the last K I was going hard again, overtook a KOM runner, and hauled myself into the linish in 4.57.50. I couldn't believe it. I couldn't believe the stiffness and pain that overtook my right leg almost immediately either. I caught up with Darryl before he left (he delinitely didn't come last), then slumped on the grass, utterly drained and debilitated from the days effort, especially the last 11 K . When I got home, I climbed the two flights of stairs to my apartment dragging my right leg stillly behgind as though it were paralysed- the quad was (is) horribly stiff and sore. The rest of me feels totally drained, but happy at my ability to draw such an elforl from myself and run a fast(ish) time. I consider it a better run that either the Canberra 50) K this year or last year's unexpectedly fast (5.44) Six Foot Track. And now I'm strong enough physically and mentally to run down other competitors. But, geez, I'll
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look strange walking round the olfice for the nexl few days. For the record, multiple Brindabella winner Trevor Jacobs won this race, followed by delending champ Peter Goonpan, and then Kelvin Marshall. I don't know if I'll be back next year, but, until you hit the last 16 K of gravel road (ugh) there is hardly a more pleasant venue to run in. Bring your own special drinks for the aid stations unless you want to drink water, and carry some fluids also- the aid stations are a long way apart. It's just you and nature most of the way. Sean Greenhill Sydney, Australia
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"I run distance because I want to be in good shape when I die." - Unknown

## Shoaihaven Ulíra 46K

## by Darryl Chrisp

I cannot add much more than Sean has described except the following: As ususal my preparation was almost non-existent. I am comfortable running the first $25-30 \mathrm{~km}$ but then it gets to be a real struggle. The bitumen for the last 16 km really became my test of strength and was close to the hardest thing I have done. I had severe pains in every joint of both legs and was passed by two other ultra-runners and about a dozen or more King of the Mountain runners. I spent almost five minutes at the 40 km aid station. I think that one real problem was that there was no drink station (for water) between the 30 km mark and the 40 km mark and this was all bitumen. long straights of undulating bitumen. It was not too hot but running at that time of day with nothing else to occupy your mind but the pain was terribly difficult for me. At one stage, I could see the next four ultra-runners in front but they were all pulling away from me. I would have to say that I enjoy the Royal National Park Ultra 50 or the Six-Foot Track to this run because of the bitumen. I cannot say whether I will be back but the good memories will probably overtake any negative thoughts over the next few months. I managed a finish time of $3: 58: 51$ so should not be unhappy. cheers, -
darryl chrisp

## Some more trivia.....

Peter Parcells brother, Ashley Parcell from Queensland, set a then Australian record for 24 hours of 234 km in 1985, a 2 km improvement on the mark held by 1984 Westfield winner, Geoff Molloy. In February 1986, Ashley Parcell took on Brian Bloomer in the Westfield Trial at the Box Hill Athletic Track in Melbourne [this was my first 24 hour race]. Ashley led for about 8 hours before fading and eventually pulling out in the 13th hour while Brian went on to win with another new record of 242 km . Ashley was never seen again on the ultra scene while Brian went on to record many memorable performances to establish himself as one of Australias best. This 24 hour event also saw the emergence of Cynthia Herbert [nee Cameron] who became Australias premier female ultra runner for many years

## Double Comrades >

When I logged on tonight, apart from Maurice Greene's new 100 Metre World Record, I found, when browsing amongst the results of the 90 K Comrades Marathon, the story of two guys who set out to run a "Double Comrades" to raise funds for cancer research. They started the night before and ran from the official finish to the start, then turned around and ran back with the main field. Paul Selby finished 13 minutes before the official 11 hour cutoff for the "return trip". Awesome stuff. Have a look at <www.runner.co.za> for the story. Challenge runs, such as just setting out to run between two distant points on a map, or doing double races, are a great concept in my mind. That kind of mentality saw some of the great races like the Hawaii Ironman and Western States Hundred Mile start. Real testing of one's limits.
Sean Greenhill Sydney, Australia
"CASSIDY, Kevin" wrote: Doing doubles is not all that uncommon. At the Cradle mountain run in Tassie, Jeanette Collins [a local] has travelled the course in reverse on the previous day. Some years ago at the Wasatch 100 miler in Utah, Dana Miller was looking for a different challenge after having won the event on several occassions, Dana did exactly as the two guys in their "Double Comrades" and still managed to finish well to the front in the official race. Back in the 80 s , when the Melbourne Marathon was a point to point course from Frankston to Melbourne, Gordon Burrowes had the idea of a group of ultrarunners gaining some publicity for AURA by starting in Melbourne at 2 or 3 am and running down to the marathon start to join the event, however this never got off the ground.

## Double Comrades

Peter Parcell tried it in the 84 Westfield. Ran down to the start the week before and got 150 km back up the road before his legs gave way!

Dell Grant's story is one of incredible determination and achievement


LEGEND: Ultra marathon runner Ron Grant with wife Dell show the book 'With Wings Like Eagles', written by Del Ifeaturing the cover by renowned artist Tom McAulay.

RUNNING tokeep fitas partof the Ron and Dell Grant partnership, Dell had no idea she would soonfind herselfunable to do the things she wanted.
"I remember at the time thinking how good it was to be alive," she said.

Soon after, Dell, 45, discovered running was becoming a chore; she was breathless and her limbs were swelling.
"I went to the doctor, who did blood tests and discovered that I had this incurable disease - scleroderma - which is an auto immune disease," she said.
"It's hereditary and some people have died within six months,"'shesaid.

Dell plunged into depression, which was to last for a good six months.
"It was like ablack hole I fell into, but eventually I realised that life was for living and that I had to have some purpose in life," she said.
"Probably what bothered me was that I had lived right,
eaten right and exercised always and yet this happens."

And that's when Dell decided to write the book - a gargantuan task - about her famous long distance runner husband, Ron.

With Wings like Eagles was launched last Friday.

The book chronicles Ron's life, his achievements and his struggles.

Ron is in the Guinness Book of Records for his Around Australia run of 1983. And then there are his gruelling runs across the unforgiving Simpson Desert, which inspired this nation and the rest of the world.

But the book also tells anotherstory - maybe not in the black and white print but between the lines - of a woman whose courage has produced this chronicle.

It is a monumental acknowledgement of Dell's tenacity and determination to bring this book to fruition.
"I remember saying to my-
self that Iam going to do it -I am going to finish this book," she said. "Who else would be able to do it, I thought, and beingmarried to him, I had the victim cornered so to speak."

Delland Ron, now 56, have a property at Nanango where the pace is a little slower than Caboolture.Theyalso have the Bellmere Convenience store.

Dell had started to notice that as time marched on, some of Ron's friends who used to run with him were suffering from heart attacks and they wouldn't be around to tell about the earlier days soon.
"I became a person obsessed," she said. "Discipline was nota problem-I could sit for hours at a time, punching away at the story and I could interview Ron whenever I liked, which was another advantage," she said.

Dell now takeseach day as it comes. She walks each day with her friends and walks to work every day. She can't ride a bike nor run anymore, nor
swim. "You realise fromsomething like this what is important and what isn't," she said.

The book was published by Bruce Cook of Deception Bay and has a painting by Bribie artist Tom McAulay on the front, showing a determined Ron forging his way through the blazing red heat of the Simpson, the rippling waves of heat rolling up behind him.

Ron inspired and captivated a nation, but he always understood the fleeting importance and pleasure of fame.

He sees it all another way.
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"She's talked to my friends, my family and to me and she's the last person who would seek credit for it, but what an incredible job and memory for events she has."

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# Are women better than men at ultras? 

Ultramarathon World

By Andy Kilroy<br>Ultramarathon World



Trowbridge, England (UW) - Ultrarunning in recent years has seen women winning races outright on a number of occasions. This phenomenon however seems to be restricted to the Ultras; at 10 km and the marathon men reign supreme. This prompted me to attempt an analysis of the possible reasons for the female success.

This phenomenon is not just a statistical artifact. Researchers at Wits University in South Africa have recently undertaken a study that supports the idea that women are unusually successful in ultras. In the Wits study, a group of 20 experienced runners ( 10 female and 10 male) were compared. The men were (on average) faster over $10 \mathrm{~km}, 21 \mathrm{~km}$ and even, by three minutes, over the marathon. However, when the male and female performances in the 55.9 mile $/ 90 \mathrm{~km}$ Comrades marathon were compared, on average ,the women finished 53 minutes ahead of men who could beat them over 10 km .

This is not a new development. As early as 1971 Natalie Cullimore amazed the then totally male-dominated ultra world by clocking 16:11:00 for 100 miles, finishing second in the race, and producing the fourth best performance ever by an American, male or female. This performance, allied to the perception that many elite women runners still looked fresh at the finish of marathons and ultramarathons prompted Dr. Joan Ullyot and Dr. Ernst van Aaken to suggest that women were innately better suited to running long distance than men.

The theory was that women were better at metabolising fat than men, after their glycogen stores were depleted, and moreover, they also carried greater fat stores than men. In other words, women had a bigger engine and a better fuel tank than me. However in 1979 David Costill showed that in fact women's ability to metabolise fat was actually inferior to men's. Other studies have shown that women's greater fat stores can count against them. On average women are fatter with less total muscle mass than men of equal body mass..

## Longer races

When women win ultra race, those races usually range of 12 hours to 6 Days, with the 24 Hour event being the main focus. Thus it is the more extended endurance events., those not dominated by sheer speed, in which women excel vis-a-vis men. Yet, if one looks at the world best for these events, the difference between men and women is generally greater than the nine to eleven per cent which is the norm for events from the sprints to the marathon. [This greater difference is probably due to the fact that women have only been running such events competitively for some twenty years.]

Thus for women to win these ultra events, their elite male opposition have to produce substandard performances. In other words, in these events women are better competitively than their male opposition. Why?

One key to the success of women is their better tactics -they pace their races better. Dr Karl Lennartz has commented that in ultra races most male runners start too fast. Women generally run their races differently - in the 100 km , for instance, the difference in pace
between the first and last ten km is minimal. There are even female ultrarunners who run faster during the second half of the race. Intellectually, male runners.know that even pace is the best strategy, so why don't they use it?

## Older rumners

The answer can perhaps be found by looking at the 24 hour race worldwide. In recent years among the most successful performers at events of 24 hours and further, have been men over forty, and cven over fifty. Why should such older male runners be so successful, beating younger men, who in physical tests would almost certainly be faster and stronger? Perhaps the question we should be asking is, what have such older runner have in common with famale ultrarumers?

Thic answer possibly is, that compared with the younger male ultrarunners they have lower levels of the male sex hormone, testosterone. The higher testosterone levels in the younger male ultrarunners makes for more aggressive, more competitive behaviour - just about the most counter-productive attitude in a long ultra. Perhaps it is much easier for women and older men to start an ultra race at a sensible pace - they don't have chemicals in their blood forcing the pace.

Women's hormones apparently seem to work in their favour in Ultrarunning. The female sex hormone oestrogen. is also an antioxidant that protects the body from the natural byproduct of any metabolic process, oxygen-free radicals. which are released in large quantities during exercise These are very destructive, attacking cell membranes, including those in muscles. Anti-oxidants, such as oestrogen and vitamins A, C or E act as antidotes to such free radicals. Oestrogen thus helps to prevent the destruction of the muscle cell, and thus helps prevent a decrease in muscle power .[If damaged, the muscle would no longer able to contract and work as it should.]

## Extra protection

In a prolonged race oxygen-free radicals cause progressive damage to muscle membranes, causing loss of speed due to poorer muscle contraction and , of course, pain. Women rumers have some protection from this process through their natural sex hormone, oestrogen., and are therefore more able to maintain their pace during an extended endurance event The suggestion has been made that oestrogen also helps fat burning, thus preserving glycogen supplies, but this would seem to be in conflict with Costill's work..

Sex hormones and their differing effects is one strand, but I suspect that women have other advantages as well. Van Aaken and Ullyot's idea of better fat metabolism and greater fat reserves is worth looking at again. Women may not be able to use their fat more efficiently than men, but in long races of 6 days and longer, their relatively greater stores would seem to give them a built in advantage.

In 1991 Hilary Walker ran from Lhasa (Tibet) to Kathmandu (Nepal) in the Himalayas, 590 miles $/ 950 \mathrm{~km}$ in 14 days 9 hours 36 minutes. The run was made at an average altitude of 4,200 metres $/ 13,780$ feet. Due to the altitude she had little appetite. In the course of the run she lost 14 pounds/ $6 \frac{1}{2}$ kilograms in weight out of a total body weight of 112 pounds/51 kilograms - $121 / 2$ per cent of her total body weight. Much of this was subcutaneous fat, but there was some muscle loss as well. It is interesting to speculate whether a man, with a lower proportion of body fat, and thus proportionally lower fat reserves, could have run the distance and in such a time with a similar low food intake.

## Better insulation

The larger reserves of subcutaneous fat that women possess have a further advantage - it gives them better insulation. The longer the ultra the greater the likelihood that there will be big variations in temperature and climate generally. Women are better protected against
such variations than men. A classic example of this was in the Blackpool 48 Hour race held in November 1988. A field of top British male 24 hour and 48 hour performers faced a group of top women ultra runners. On the first night the temperature dropped to -2 degrees C , on the second night to 0 degrees C. [It is probably no coincidence that James Zarei, probably the male with the least amount of subcutaneous fat, who is very susceptible to the cold, was the first to retire within the first 10 hours.] In that race, women finished 1st, 3rd, 6th and 7th . The leading woman, Hilary Walker, ran 227 miles $/ 366.5 \mathrm{~km}$ for a new 48 Hour best performance. *

Cold is just one of a host of variables that may have to be faced in the course of a long ultra. Heat is another problem. It is possible that women, being generally smaller and especially having a lower total muscle mass generate less body heat and are therefore able to dissipate this heat more effectively.

Although speed, strength and running endurance are still important factors, another major asset is the ability to handle prolonged stress, both physical and mental. Many studies have shown that women cope better with stress than men.. [Classic extreme examples of this are the Donner Wagon Train in the nineteenth century, and the Siege of Leningrad in the last war.] Possibly this ability comes in part from the female's need to cope with the prolonged stress of childbirth. In past centuries women unable to cope with such stress would not have survived, nor in all probability would their offspring. Thus evolution over countless generations has discriminated in favour of stress-resistant women.

Interestingly in another long distance sport, where fat insulation could be an important factor, women are also very competitive with men. The current records for swimming both the Irish Channel and Loch Ness are held by women.

## Handling stress

Studies of mental and psychological stress have also shown that women cope better than men. In my experience in long ultras of 100 km upwards men are more likely to quit if things go wrong or conditions get difficult, whereas women keep going. A recent conference on Gender and Pain organised by the National Institutes of Health was told by a researcher from Ohio University, who studied arthritis sufferers, that after a day of pain men would be in a very bad mood while women would be more positive. Men have been taught from an early age simply to endure pain in silence, whereas women cope through venting emotions or seeking support from others This behaviour was leamt in childhood.. Boys who scraped a knee were told not to cry while girls were allowed to cry and seek comfort from parents.

Having hopefully made a case that women's success in Ultrarunning is due to better tactics, better insulation and a greater ability to deal with prolonged stress, there is also another reason why women win ultras outright. Often the women runner is the class athlete in the race, she is not opposed by a male runner of equivalent ability. Eleanor Robinson, Ann Trason, Hilary Walker, Sandra Barwick and Marianne Savage have all won ultra races outright. All of them at one time or another have set women's world bests.

Men depressed by finishing second to the fair sex should be philosophical . In ther greatest ultra of them all - Life - women consistently achieve greater performances, outliving their male peers. Basically they may just be tougher! (Ultramarathon World: http://fox.nstn.ca/~dblaikie) (15ap98)

## TRAINING FOR THE 100 MILE WALK

Race Walking began as an ultra-long distance sport in the eigthteenth and nineteenth centuries and still maintains a great following in Europe. Easily the most famous event in the world was the Paris to Strasbourg walk ( 320 mile 3 day event) which has now become the Paris to Colmar (close to Strasbourg). This event is over a distance of 520 km and is generally won in around the 60 hour mark. Other events are the Roubiax (France) 28 hour walk in which many European countries enter teams, the Lugano (Italy) 100 km and the London-to-Brighton ( 53 mile) event. On top of this, most countries have an active Centurion Club which offers life-long membership for all sub24 hour 100 mile finishers.

Here in Australia, we also support the concept of ultra-distance walking and are pleased to provide these notes about training for the basic mainstay of the sport, namely the 100 mile event. In Australia, such Centurion events are generally held on a 400 m track and are run under the auspices of the various State Race Walking Associations.

There is no such thing as a set rule for these events. People as young as 16 and as old as 62 have finished the 100 mile races held previously in Australia. Some have been in the prime of their walking careers while others have been non-race walkers but had a desire to succeed and the individual fortitude necessary to 'bash it out'.

If you are thinking of entering such an event, then you need some serious planning and a total committment if you are to succeed. These notes are meant to provide some basic ideas on which you can build. Read on...

When one talks of preparing for these endurance events, it is really a question of consistent daily training, previous experience, common sense and guts. From a time and distance standpoint, training is similar to that of a 50 km walker but the long distance walker must work on the elements unique to that sport

- Judge the pace in the opening hours.
- Keep the action going through the inevitable bad spots.
- Prevent the pace from dropping drastically in inclement weather and the unbelievably tiring later stages.
- Eating and drinking play a large part in success in endurance events and can quickly bring you through the bad stretches that inevitably hit you. In races of 24 hours of less, it is better to stick to highly digestible foods - tinned fruit, high energy drinks, barley sugar, etc. However, everyone has their own favourite recipe be it Coca Cola or rice pudding or porridge (yes, seriously, I remember someone who used to have it during a 50 km event). Warm tea is helpful on warm days and soft drinks should never be taken too cold. In races of more than 24 hours, more substantial food is needed in addition to the above. Omelettes, warm soup (with bread mixed in) and roast chicken are all used successfully in Europe. Obviously that is one you must work out for yourself through practice.
- Particular care must be taken to use vaseline very liberally (for obvious reasons). Spare clothes and shoes (but never brand new ones) should always be available, as well as foulweather gear, even if the day seems promising when the race starts.

All in all, the ultra-long distance aspirant must

- be a good judge of pace
- not get panicked
- be able to take a hard jolt and come out of it
- never seriously consider even the thought of retirement.

Some thoughts on type of training
As mentioned above, training is similar to that of a 50 km walker. However, there is one basis
training session that must be added.to your regime. You will need to include one long walk each week or each fortnight (depending on your situation). During this long walk, the emphasis is not on speed or even on distance covered but on time spent on the feet. Try a session of some 5 or more hours and walk at the pace at which you intend to start out in the 100 miler. Take some money with you and stop and buy some refreshments and take regular breaks (as you will do in the 100 miler ). The aim is to prepare both physically and psychologically for the event.

Hints for the actual race

- Make sure that your take precautions against blisters - tape feet/toes if necessary, etc. Experiment in this matter beforehand.
- Have your initial pace worked out so that you are not heading off to fast.
- Do not forgo your race plan in the early stages when you feel good and want to speed up.
- Have your stops well planned in advance and take them even if you still feel ok.
- Feed regularly - when you feel the need for nourishment, it is generally too late already.
- Have changes of shoes, clothes, wet weather gear, whatever medical gear you might need, plenty of vaseline or equivalent, etc.
- Have someone experienced looking after you and making sure that you adhere to your plan. That person should be able to calculate what breaks to take, how much time remains, etc. You might not be in a fit state to make these sorts of decisions for yourself.
- Come into the race with the conviction that you will finish.

Here are some specific questions and associated answers:

## What sort of background should you have before doing this sort of event?

Most of the walkers who have done it well have come from a background of walking and have done at least one 50 km race. I feel that this is important as a race such as a 50 km prepares one mentally for the tiredness that will be experienced in a 100 miler. If you wish to walk a 50 km race, you have to do some consistent regular training that includes a weekly long walk (in the region of 3-4 hours). With such a preparation behind you, you are well on the way to completing a 100 miler. All you have to do is add a couple of very long walks (nice slow pace and make a day of it). These would be well spaced apart and would not be in the last month before the actual event as you do not want to come into it tired and with possible injuries. I personally recommend to people that they need to have done one or two walks of at least 8 hours to really prepare the body for the event. When I was in England years ago and talked to the old English walkers who did well in the London to Brighton and back, they talked of the sort of training preparation that they did - walk from London to Brighton on the Saturday and walk back from Brighton to London on the Sunday. Now I do not recommend such a vigorous weekend but the principle still holds - you must perpare your body with at least 1 or 2 very long sessions at some stage or you will suffer a lot during the 100 miler.For every rule, there are exceptions and we have had some people who have done it without such a preparation. Bill Dyer did it at 16 years of age with no distance preparation at all (and suffered no aftereffects). But these are exceptions to the rule.

## What sort of weekly mileage is needed to succeed at the 100 mile distance?

How many miles per week? Now I would suggest that to walk a good 50 km , you need to do in the order of $70+$ miles per week with the occasional bigger week. The same sort of training load will get you a decent attempt at a 100 miler provided you do the occasional long slow stroll. You do not have to do huge mileage - in fact if you did, you might injure yourself and miss out. I got $\square$ through on this sort of mileage and, sure it hurt, but it is going to hurt regardless of how much you did. This is the sort of mileage that most of our centurions have done in preparation.

## Should you take regular breaks or try to walk it with a minmum of stops?

Most of our Centurions have done it with a minimum of breaks. Those who took big breaks generally did not finish (perhaps this is coincidence but perhaps not). Most took very few breaks up till at least 50 miles and generally only stopped for a couple of minutes to change shoes or have a quick rubdown or just sit down for a drink for a little bit. As you go on into the second
half, you sometimes have to stop as you are just physically wrecked but it is best to keep the stops short and keep, on the move. This takes a big physical effort but seems to be how most do it.

How fast do you need to be?
If you , alk 5:30 for 50 km , you have lots in reserve. At that pace, you would complete the first 50 miles in ,hout 9:20. So you could go conservatively and still do about 10:30 to 11:00 and have plenty up gnur sleeve for the second half when you are going to inevitably slow down a bit. Our first woma. .to do it, Camela Carrassi, is only a $6: 3050 \mathrm{Km}$ walker at best but she still finished in under 24 houss

Why do people stop?
Now that's an interistin one. Generally it is because theváre not sumciently strong mentally. Once it reallys starts oo hurt, they pack it in. Yet I have'seen others walk on through such anguish and they finish. So the big difference is mental preparation and mental toughness. You have to just shut out the tiredness and soldier on.

# Australian 50 Mile Track Championship held at Newport Athletics Track, Williamstown, Vic on 23rd May, 1999 in collaboration with the Sri Chinmoy Festival 

Left to Right::<br>Greg Love, 2nd place in a time of 6:22:27<br>Nigel Aylott, winner of the event in 6:04:26<br>Max Carson, 3rd placegetter in 7:11:55<br>Congratulations to all three!



## (And What I Learned From It)

## By Helen Klein

## - ASATCHMOUNTAINS, UTAH, Scptember 9-10,

 1989-Due to circumstances somewhat beyond my control, I came to running late in life. As a consequence, perhaps, I have an intense appreciation of the benefits and blessings of rumning that might clude some people who have becn running most of their lives. I began running because of a challenge and have stayed active all these years because the challenge seems always. to renew itself in interesting and wonderful ways.Allow me to backtrack a little:
In 1978, at the age of 55 , I was living with my husband in Hopkinsville, Kentucky. That year, a friend challenged us to prepare for and competc in a 10 -mile race. At that time, such a thing was totally out of context for a mature woman of the south. Indeed, vcry

Ultra amazing Helen Klein-on her way to an age group world record of 109.5 miles set in March 1991-is airborne in the Redwood Empire 24-Hour.

few Kentucky women ran, and even fewer competed. This was true even of young women, and here I was, old enough to be a grandmother!

But I guess Norman and I were feeling feisty. We accepted our friends' challenge, trained for 10 weeks, entered the race, ran together-and finished dead last. Looking back on it, we were pretty naive. The sag wagon followed us through the race; the sag wagon was the town ambulance.

That was my first race and, remarkably, I won the women's masters divi-sion-because I had literally no competition. The only other women running were three members of Hopkinsville's high school cross-country team. So, in my first race, I finished first and last, a feat I've never been able to repeat.

In spite of finishing last, I felt a great sense of accomplishment just to have finished at all. Naturally, I entered more and longer races as soon as I could.

## ON TO THE MAABATHON

Just 16 months after that 10 -mile race, I went down to Miami to run my first marathon. Here I encountered my first age-group competition, and I managed to win my age division. I entered more marathons and was thoroughly enjoying my new-found physicality.

In the spring of 1981 , Norman and I traveled to Washington statc. Norman. who wanted to run increasingly longer and longer races, had entered the Skagit Valley 50 -miler. On my side of it, I had come up with the goal of running at least one marathon in each of the United States. My plan was to start the 50 -miler but stop after the marathon distance. This way I could cut another notch in my marathon belt and not have to return to Washington.

The course was a five-mile loop. I planned to do six loops and count the 30 miles as my marathon. The course had two sections where the road was radically canted, so I decided to walk those sections to save my legs. The race had an 11-hour cutoff, so I had plenty of time. The walking turned out to be a very wise decision. By incorporating the walking into the canted sections. I was able to kecp running and walking for 10:45, thus completing my first 50 -miler-and inadvertently launching an ultramarathoning carecr that is about to enter its 19th year.

Looking back on it, I can honestly say I was no morc tired after completing 50 miles than I was after running the standard marathon distance. I attribute this to several factors. Unlike in my shorter races, I felt no pressure to progress from start to finish as quickly as possible. Of course, the intermittent walk breaks eased the tension on my legs, allowing me to keep going far longer than I had cyer run before. Plus, I felt great support from my fellow runners. I had not felt this tremendous camaraderie in my shorter races, and the dedication of the volunteers was most impressive and inspiring.

As I continued to run marathons and 50-milers, my times naturally began to improve. But my insatiable appetite for new and exciting challenges began to rival my insatiable appetite for postrace pizza.

## BIG-TIME GOALS

I aimed my next two goals toward the ultimate aerobic challenges-the Hawaii Ironman Triathlon and the Western States 100 Endurance Run in California's Sicrra Ncvada.

The Ironman caused me concern because to compete there I would need to learn to swim and ride a bike. The day I brought my bike home I fell three times just getting out of the driveway. My first bike riding lesson consisted of getting on and off the bike and making it from the driveway to the street. To this day, I'm still uncomfortable on a bike (as evidenced by the nasty fall I took during the 1995 Eco-Challenge), but my discomfort was not going to stop me from doing the Ironman.

I persevered. I took five swimming lessons from the high school swim coach and trained five to six hours a day for nearly eight months. I completed the Ironman in fine time. The biggest problem I had was maintaining my weight at 110 pounds while training as though it were a full-time job. In spite of consuming 6,000 to 8,000 calories a day, I was still dropping weight.

With the Ironman behind me, I was off to the Westem States 100 in June of 1983 to try my legs at the granddaddy of all 100-mile trail runs.

The 1983 Westem States proved that, in spite of my late-in-life accomplishments, I was not invincible. The flatlands of Kentucky couldn't provide the training I needed for the 18,000 feet of elevation gain and 22,000 feet of loss in the Sierra.

Norman and I arrived in California two weeks before the race in order to train and learn the trail. To me, these two weeks were like taking a final exam. My training became a nightmare. Record snowfall hit the Sicrra, and the first 24 miles of the course were covered by 5 feet of snow and 16-foot drifts. I found it impossible to stay on my feet. My prime strength was an ability to "relax and move." The continuous falling, combined with the severity of the climbs, undermined my ability to relax.

My dismal two weeks of training carried over to the race. At 47 miles, they pulled me for failing to make the cutoff time at Devil's Thumb. I was devastated by my first-ever DNF. But it did strengthen my resolve to return and finish the race.

The following year (1984) I did return in more ways than one. Nornan had finished in 1983, and we found we had both begun a love affair with Califor-
nia-especially with the beauty and magnitude of the Western States Trail. We loved it so much that Norman gave up his oral surgery practice, and we moved to California. Living close to the trail, we took advantage of being able to train on the course. I finished the 1984 race in 29:19. Not too shabby for a 61-yearold great-grandmother.

## MORE AND MORE 100s

In the mid-1980s, the fame of the Western States 100 inspired race directors to organize other 100 -mile trail races.A100-miler was put togetheron the Wasatch Front in Utah; with 22,000-feet elevation gain and 24,000-feet elevation loss, Wasatch was considered the most difficult of all 100-mile trail runs. (Eventually its difficulty was surpassed by the Hard Rock 100 in Colorado.)

In 1987, I decided to give Wasatch a try. My strategy was to powerwalk the steep climbs, run the flats, and fly down the descents. Because of the additional elevation gain and climbs over 10,000 feet in altitude, Wasatch allowed an additional six hours to finish beyond Western States' limits. I went into the race well trained, ran relaxed, and had great pacers and support, which enabled me to finish in 35:10:05. This finish gained me the distinction of being the oldest finisher, male or female, to complete two of the nation's most grueling 100mile mountain trail runs.

Still, I was not satiated. Since I subscribe to Jack LaLanne's philosophy"I'd rather wear out than rust out"-I sought a new challenge. Thanks to Tom Green, an ultramarathoner from Maryland, I didn’t have to look far. In 1986, Tom had run four 100 -mile mountain races in one summer. For a while, his completion of the newly coined "Grand Slam of Ultrarunning" stood alone among achievements. Then, in 1987, two other runners completed the Grand Slam: John Bandur and Denny Hagele.

At my mature age, could I do what men so much younger than I had done? I knew only one way to find out: give it a try! I wanted to prove to myself that women are as capable as men of competing in these cvents.

The four races that constituted the Grand Slam were the Old Dominion 100 in Virginia, the Western States (with which I was now intimately familiar), the Leadville 100 in Colorado, and the Wasatch Front 100.

I began my quest for the Grand Slam in early June of 1988. I traveled to Virginia two weeks prior to Old Dominion to train on the trails. Three days before the race I was running the trail with a magazine journalist when a small dog ran between my legs and made me fall. I sustained a nickel-sized, stilettoshaped gash to my kneecap, and thought I might be out of the race. I took care of the injury and put it out of my mind, resting until race morning.

In this event, even though I was 65 years old, I was not allowed a pacer for the entire distancc. Max Hooper, a good friend from Arkansas, very graciously offered to run with me until I could pick up my official pacers. I have no sense of direction so was extremely gratcful for his company, which made it possible for me to run relaxed. I was extremely happy to finish in 29:40, though before the injury I had hoped to finish better. Unfortunately, this race marked the end of my initial effort to do the Grand Slam. A series of mistakes and unfortunate circumstances caused me to DNF at the remaining three races.

At Western States I seriously miscalculated the pace I would have to kecp for the final 15 miles and dropped out, only to discover later that I had a lot more time than I'd thought.

At Lcadville I missed the cutoff at Twin Lakes (mile 58) by nine minutes.
At Wasach, even though I had finished the previous year, I was unable to repeat in 1988. The temperature dropped to 20 degrees overnight, and at an elcvation of 9,000 fect my water bottles froze solid. I became hypothermic and withdrew at 80 miles.

Naturally, I was disappointed, but I have a creed that I live by when success eludes me. I give myself 10 minutes to whine, moan, and complain. Then I put the failure behind me and get on with life.

The year 1989 found me stronger and more eager than ever to do the Grand Slam. I found new strength in some advice I took from a young physician whilc on a training run on the Old Dominion course. He was the medical director of the race, and to my delight he offered to train with me for 30 miles of the trail, which included the longest and steepest climbs. He witnessed the difficulty I was having on the climbs, a problem I felt was due to inadequate lung capacity. He disagreed and contended it was due to insufficient upper body strength. He strongly recommended that I begin a weight training program to strengthen the muscles that would enable me to keep my form while climbing. I took his advice and joined a health club), where I began pumping iron for one hour three times a week. Almost immediately I noticed a change: the hills became less of a struggle for me. Better form enabled me to breathe easier.

In 1989, four women attempted the Grand Slam: Marge Adelman of Colorado, a previous winner of the Leadville 100; Lou Peyton of Arkansas; and Suzi Thibeault and me from California.

But there was a change in the offing caused by a decision made at Old Dominion. Up until that point, all of the 100 -milers had a 30-hour cutoff (cxcept for Wasatch, which used 36 hours because of its difficulty). Old Dominion changed its cutoff to 24 hours, which would eliminate most women from being able to finish. As a result, a new race, the Verniont 100, could be used in the Grand Slam quest as a substitute for Old Dominion.

## WS 100 UP FIRST

Western States was first on the schedule, and I ran an excellent race, finishing just a few minutes behind my best time (which I had set before the course was found to be more than six miles short!).

The magnificent countryside of Vermont was next, and again everything went beautifully; I felt incredibly strong the entire way. At 86 miles, I was on pace to break 24 hours, but my husband, concerned that I save some strength for Leadville-only three weeks away--convinced me to slow down. I ran


Helen with Norman, finishes the 1992 Western States 100. slower until the final quartermile, when I realized I could break 25 hours if I picked it up. I finished in 24:59:55 and felt exhilarated by my strong finish.

Three weekslater I took off forLeadville, where I made all the cutoffs with time to spare, and where I registered a time nearly identical to my Western States time-my Western time was 29:25:03 and Leadville 29:25:55.

Only one more to go. I had company, as Marge, Lou, and Suzie had also completed the first three races. I spent the two weeks after Leadville resting, training moderately, and eating as much as possible to regain my strength.

Then it was off to Utah for the most memorable and important race of my career.
As the last challenge of my quest approached, I decided to break the race down into sections based on the steepest climbs over the 100 miles. My running friends in Utah provided me with extremely capable and qualified pacers. From the start, the initial climb up to Francis Peak, topped by the infamous "Chin Scraper," is generally considered the most difficult climb of the race. If I could get over that one in relatively good shape and in a good time, I felt reasonably certain I could make it all the way to Midway.

While waiting for the start, my only concern was that I might not be mentally tough enough to get over the difficulty I had encountered the previous year between Desolation Lake and Solitude, where I withdrew to be treated for hypothermia.

Though my climb over Chin Scraper was difficult, I encountered no unusual problems. My confidence soared. I stuck to my game plan and attacked the course based on the climbs.

## CONFIDENCE BUILDS

I flew down the road to the "grcen shed" (now known as the "white shed"), and as I climbed up to Bountiful B, Big Mountain Pass, and Lamb"s Canyon, I felt stronger and more confident with each climb. The long climb on the paved road up to Mill Creek Canyon was interminable, and it was here that I had my first "downer." I pulled myself together with help from my crew and pacer, refocused, and headed on to Desolation Lake. The good weather was holding throughout the night, so we arrived at the lake in good shape. A delightful group of volunteers welcomed us like royalty. Their enthusiasm pumped me up to the point that I left with high hopes of crossing that ridge in much better condition than the previous year.

We wasted no time. My pacer kept my confidence up by being so positive that we were moving so well, assuring meI had plenty of time to finish. We were looking forward to getting to Brighton, where they serve the greatest potato soup. You can get fueled for a lot of extra miles on that soup, and I would have only 24.3 miles to go at that point. All of a sudden, we could see the lights of Brighton. In a state of ecstasy, I picked up the pace. We weren't disappointed by the soup or by my next pacer.

Although the last of the big climbs (Catherine Pass) lay ahead, at this point I felt nothing could stop me. The long, stecp downhill to Pole Line Pass was difficult, but my strength is on the downhills. I ran with some caution-I didn't want a nasty fall on the rocky trail to blow everything for me.

## FRIENDS GALORE

My crew of Norman and my wonderful friends John and Linda Moise had met me all along the way, and that helped give me the strength I needed, especially during the long hours of darkness.

It was now a bright sunny morning; I felt relieved to have made it through the dark hours uninjured. Unfortunately, this good feeling didn't last long. Shortly thereafter, when I saw Norman at the aid station, I found myself totally

With her PR finish at Wasatch in
1989, Helen completes the Grand Slam to become one of the first four women to achieve this goal.
overcome with emotion; I couldn't hold back the tears. I knew that Norman, my crew, and my pacers would all be extremely happy if I finished, and I wasn't sure I could hold it together if I kept seeing them along the course. Although I told them to go to the finish line and wait for me there, they paid no attention to my request and continued to meet me at the remaining crew access points.

I owe a great deal to my pacer, whojust happened to be a psycholo-

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 gist. He would gently whisper,

Finally, I was running across the grass to the finish line, which I crossed in 34:21:53-a PR by 49 minutes over my 1987 time. I had also PRed at Western States, so I had run my fastest times on my two latest races.

Wasatch thus became my most memorable race. Not only was I one of the first four women to complete the Grand Slam, but I was able to overcome the uncertainty of whether I was mentally strong enough to accomplish a feat at which I had previously failed. I have always been able to throw myself completely into any project I've undertaken; this adventure reinforced this ability and set the pattern for many future adventures.

In retrospect, I think I became so emotional during the last 20 miles of Wasatch because I didn't want the race to end. I had trained diligently for two years, running every long race I could while building toward this day. Every runner knows the high you feel when you reach yourgoal. The high then begins to recede during the following days.

Three weeks later I toed the starting line at Angeles Crest 100. I was not surprised to find Suzie, Lou, and Marge there as well. What did surprise me was running my best race ever, probably because I felt no pressure. Once again, I enjoyed the loving support of great friends. Naturally, I was quite pleased with the long summer of 1989 . Five 100 -mile trail races in 16 weeks. I learned to never again set limits on myself based on my age or gender.

## Ultra Update - March 1999

## Andy Milroy

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## .NEVER MIND THE LENGTH CHECK THE QUALITY".

This is one of my home-spun philosophies (not just the comment of a Jewish tailor!).Our modern comunity seems obsessed with how LONG we can live - maybe we should look more to how BROADLY we can live, i.e. concentrate on the quality of life.

The average lifespan inAustralia has increased considerably; no doubt this is due to better anyi-natal care for women, better access to first class nutrition and health care, public heath measures, better material quality of life and better attitudes to fitness and recreation. There is litile doubt that, for all the faults of modern society (e.g. polution, diverse, nuclear fall-out, ozone depletion, soil erosion, drug use, etc.), weare living longer than at any time in the history of mankind, and we are living DECADES longer on average than people in third world countries right now. So maybe we are doing something right!

Hence the plea to all zealots - take things in MODERATION. Some doctors will insist that you will live forever, if only you can be a miserable, skinny vegetarian marathon running pulse counter ! Heaven forbid that your cholestorol level should be above 4.5 !!! That should be a crime punishable by hanging (which unfortunately shortens your life more dramatically). And Heaven help those women who have the "disease" called Menopause ! Surely they must all develop Osteoporosis immediately, unless they first have expensive tests, and then all take Hormone Replacement Therapy. And of course, we are so undernourished that we all must take Vitamin Suppliments (the more the better!), or we will all collapse immediately.

The zealots of this world will soon have us under their power. th seems that, with so many factors, medical and social, having improved in our community, we should practice MODERATION, and that way aspire to a better QUALITY OF LIFE, even if we are all around a few weeks less to enjoy it !
-Wishing you good running,
Tony Trachtenberg.

# Ultra International Results \& Commentary Update: 

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From left, world champion body builder and former Mr Australia, Don Mahoney, Tony Rafferty, Coral Rafferty, and Viannis Kouros, who is recognised as the greatest ultra marathon runner in history.

ULTRA marathon runner Tony Rafferty of Harkaway on Saturday celebrated his 60 th birthday among family, friends, and some of Australia's top sports people.

Members of support crews who backed Tony on desert runs, including his trot through the Valley of Death in America were also present.

Among them were former Mr Australia Don Mahoney, who was initially encouraged by Tony to take up the sport, and all time great ultra marathon runner Yiannis Kouros.

Don said he was an asthma sufferer and was quite slim when Tony suggested he take
up body building.
"Tony was a great inspiration to me and others," he said.

Tony said he recalled one long distance race when Yiannis was handicapped by 12 hours.
'Yiannis wasn't all that pleased but a couple of days later someone came by in a support vehicle and said Yiannis is just behind you.
"He pulled up to me, we had a chat, and he then took off at his average 12.3 kilometres an hour for that race.
"It was unbelievable.
"We called him the flying Greek."


Yiannis and Teresa Kouros al Tony Rafferty's 60th Birthday parly, April 1999, Harkaway Vicloria.


Tony's mate, Mr.Australia / Mr. World, Don Mahoney with Tony al Tony's 60th Birthday Parly, April 1999, Harkaway, Victoria.

Wendy \& John Harper (AURA Commillee member) at Tony Rafferty's 60th Birthday Party at Harkaway, Vic.

Dol Browne (AURA Secretary), Sandy Kerr, Tom Kerr \& long-suffering husband of Dot, Colin Browne all hilling the slops al Tony Rafferty's 60 th. $\downarrow$


## RAFFERTY - THE RUNNING MAN.

He ran till his feet bled.
He ran in the heat and snow, in fierce winds.
He ran in pelting rain.
But whatever the weather, or the pain, he kept running.
Because Rafferty's his name and punnings his game.

He ran for the challenge, but found glory.
He ran to raise funds for those who could not run.
He ran overseas and even conquered Death Valley.
In his homeland of Australia his feet did stride far and wide.
Across the dreaded straight of the Nullabour and many a time the Sydney to Melbourne race.

His strength of mind, spirit and body was a thing to behold and admire.
Pounding over hills, against the winds of time and distance he did defy.
So many wanted to have the the privilage to shake his hand.
"How can a person achieve such feats?" many did cry.
Others answered with awe - "Because he is the great Tony Rafferty - the Running Man."

But now that you have finally hung up your running shoes.
That your body is to have some rest.
That you have your family for which to care and many friends to share the quieter times.
Above all Tony please understand that many will forever remember you and your exceptional achievements.
Because you will forever be 'Rafferty - the Running Man.'

## by Linda Meadows.

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## 1999 Australian Ultra Running Survey

This survey is designed to find out what you the Ultra runner/walker is thinking about his sport and what he would like to do to help improve the running and organisation of his sport. Closing date for the survey is 1 Aug 99 When you have completed this survey please return it to the AURA Secretary at 4 Victory St, Mitcham Victoria. The results will be tabulated and the findings published in the last magazine of the year. The AURA Committee will also look a the findings and try and implement any of the recommendations for the sport in the Year 2000.

1. Age: $\qquad$
2. Sex: $\qquad$
3. State of Residence: $\qquad$
4. How many years have you been running/walking Ultra Marathons?
5. How long have you been a member of AURA?
6. How many Ultra races have you competed in? $\qquad$
7. What are your favourite type of Ultra races? $\qquad$
8. What is your favourite distance?
9. How would you like to see the Australian calender improved?
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10. Are you happy with the current value of your AURA membership?
11. If AURA had more resources at their disposal what services would you like to see them provide?
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12. Would you be happy with an increase in AURA membership fees from 2000?

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13. How do you think AURA and Ultra running could be better promoted in Australia?
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## 14. Would you be able to help publicise and promote AURA and Ultra running?

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15. With more of our members walking during Ultra races do you think that AURA should undergo a name change?
16. With technical advice from AURA would you like to be a Race Director for an Ultra event in your area?

[^0]18. Should there be more handicap races incorporated into Ultra running?
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19. Would you support an AURA Ultra Athlete of the year

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20. Are you happy with the current format of the National Committee and State Reps?
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21. Do you know anyone that has left AURA in the last five years? Do you know why they left AURA?
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22. Do you think that the introduction of a Discount Card could add as an extra incentive for people to join AURA?
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23. Any other comments about the future of AURA and Ultra running in Australia? $\qquad$
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Thanks for your assistance. The results will be collated into information that will go along way to help the future of AURA and the sport of UltraMarathoning in Australia.

## All-Time Ultra Bests

Below are some all-time lists for the most common ultra events. Marks set in 1998, or ratified in 1998, are listed in italics. In order to make the lists as informative as possible, we have combined road and track performances, as well as certified and uncertified performances. The intent is to recognize the best ultra performances, recognizing that in many cases they will not satisfy all the criteria for ratification as records. This is especially true for marks set many years ago.

We have also included the actual USA records as ratified by USATF.

We include among the bests for North America any performances by North American residents, even if they are not citizens of the region. In such cases, there is an apostrophe after the name.

Thanks to Andy Milroy, Trishul Cherns, David Blaikie, and Dan Brannen for continually providing invaluable data. If you know of any corrections or additions, please let us know.

## Legend

$R=$ road in otherwise track list
$\mathrm{i}=$ indoor
$\mathrm{T}=$ track in otherwise road list
$\mathrm{s}=$ split in longer event

* $=$ uncertified road course or no lap times taken
$\wedge=$ incomplete lap recording (only to minute)
- $=$ resident alien
$\mathrm{rr}=$ ratified record (better marks may exist)


## 1,000 Miles

Men
Yiannis Kouros,GR
rr-Petras Silkinas,S
Stu Mittleman, US
$\Longrightarrow \begin{aligned} & \text { Bryan Smith,SS,AU } \\ & \text { rr-Georgs Jermolajevs,54,LAT }\end{aligned}$
Al Howie,46,GB
Vladimir Glazkov, 60, RUS
Siggy Bauer,41,NZ
Vladimir Vasutin,45,UKR
Alfredo Uria,57,ESP

John Ball,SA

- Marty Sprengelmeyer,45,US

Trishul Cherns.CAN
Tom Possert, US
Stefan Schlett,GER
lan Javes.47,AU,NZ
Peter Gibson,41,N2L
Michel Careau,47.CAN
Alan Fairbrother 49, GB
Alan Fairbrother,49,GB
John Wallis,52,US
Do Winle 59 ,
Rustem Giniatullin,46, RUS
Tony Rafferty,47,AU
USA Ratified 1،000-Mile
Records_Men
55-59 Don Winkley
$14+10: 56: 46$
Women
rr-Sandy Barwick,NZ,42 $r$-Eleanor Robinson.GB
$\rightarrow$ Dipali Cunningham,AU
Antana Locs,CAN
Suprabha Beckjord,US
rr-Sandra Brown,GBR
Sylvia Andonie,MEX
Nidhruvi Zimmermann,AUS
Monika Achenbach-Konig, AUS
Martina Hausmann,GER
Dhvaja Dorn,CAN
Christel Vollmerhausen57GER

|  | Renate Nierkens,GER. 47 | $16+11: 19: 5.4$ |  | s |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | USA Ratified 1,000-Mile Records,Women |  |  |  |
|  | Open: Suprabha Beckjord | 14+08:56:57 |  | s |
|  | 6 Days |  |  |  |
|  | All-time,men |  |  |  |
|  | rr-Jean-Gilles Boussiquet,48.FR Yiannis Kouros,GR | 640 639 | 21 |  |
| s | Gilbert Mainix.57.FR | 626 | 164 |  |
|  | George Litlewood, GB, 1888 | 623 | 1320 | i |
|  | James Zarei,46,GB Bryan Smith,45,AU | 622 | 508 |  |
|  | $\rightarrow$ James Cathcart, US, 1888 | 622 | 435 1320 | i |
|  | Patrick Fitzgerald, US, 1884 | 610 |  | i |
|  | Daniel Herty, US, 1888 | 605 |  | i |
|  | Charles Rowell,GB,1884 | 602 |  | i |
| ter | George Hazael,GB, 1882 | 600 | 220 | i |


| 45-49 Gutdayzke | 373 | 440 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 50-54 Michael Allen | 473 | 440 |  |
| 55-59 Donald Winkley | 450 |  | R |
| 60-64 Clarence Richey | 339 | 12 |  |
| 65-69 Dictino Mendez | 385 |  | R |
| 70-74 Ed Fishman | 335 |  | RS |
|  |  |  |  |
| All-comers: Yiannis Kouros,GR | 639 |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |
| All-time,WOmen |  |  |  |
| rr-Sandra Barwick,NZ | 548 | 558 |  |
| Eleanor Adams,GB | 538 | 582 |  |
| rr- Dipali Cunningham,AU | 504 |  | $R$ |
| Donna Hudson,US | 487 | 1585 |  |
| Edith Couhé,41,FR | 479 | 968 | i |
| Suprabha Schecter,US | 459 |  | Rs |
| Georgina McConnell,AU | 458 | 1119 |  |
| Renate Nierkens,GER | 458 | 1056 |  |
| Cynthia Cameron,AU | 458 | 1006 |  |
| Lorna Richey,US | 456 | 589 |  |
| Madame Du Pree,US,1882 | 456 |  | Rs |
| Pippa Davis,48,US/GB | 454 |  | Rs |
| Antana Locs,CAN | 452 |  | R |
| Silvia Andonie,MEX | 450 |  |  |

Uncertified additions
Mary Hanudel,US
$486 \quad 1056$
Rs*
Women,North America

| Donna Hudson | 487 | 1585 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mary Hanudel | 486 | 1056 |
| Suprabha Schecter | 459 |  |
| rr-Lorna Richey | 456 | 589 |
| Madame Du Pree, 1882 | 456 |  |
| Pippa Davis', 48 | 454 |  |
| Antana Locs, CAN | 452 |  |
| Silvia Andonie, MEX | 450 |  |
| Sue Medaglia, 49 | 411 | 1623 |
| Barbara McLeod,55,CAN | 404 | 1156 |
| Karina Nequin | 400 | 220 |
| Age groups,world |  |  |
| 40-44 Sandra Barwick, NZ | 548 | 558 |
| 45-49 Renate Nierkens,GER | 458 | 1056 |
| 50-54 Georgina McConnell.AU | 434 | 943 |
| 55-59 Ch. Vollmerhausen,57,GER | 431 |  |
| 60-64 Françoise Lamothe, FR | 402 | 1582 |
| 65-69 Helen Klein, US | 354 | 1584 |
| 70-74 Helen Klein, US | 373 |  |

Age groups U.S.

| 40-44 Lahory Brummel | 365 |  | Rs |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 45-49 Pippa Davis' | 454 |  | Rs |
| 50-54 Janet Johnson' | 405 | 440 |  |
| 55-59 Myra Linden | 340 | 440 |  |
| 60-64 Samara Minoli | 310 |  | Rs |
| 65-69 Helen Klein | 354 | 1584 | R |
| 70-74 Helen Klein | 373 |  | R |

USA Ratified 6-Day
Records,Women

| Open: Lorna Richey | 457 | 345 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 40-44 Vivian Corres | 266 | 440 |
| 45-49 Vivian Corres | 285 |  |
| 50-54 no record |  |  |
| 55-59 Myra Linden | 312 | 880 |
| 60-64 no record |  |  |
| 65-69 no record |  |  |
| 70-74 no record |  |  |
| All-comers: Eleanor Adams,GB | 462 |  |

## 48 Hours.

All-time,men


Yiannis Kouros,40,AU
Valéri Goubar SU
Gilbert Mainix,57,FR
Age groups,U.S.
J.-G. Boussiquet,47,FR 263

Jaroslav Kocourek, CZ
Ramon Zabalo,FR
Charles Rowell,GB,1882 258
Richard Tout,NZ
John Hughes, US, 1882
Seigi Arita,JPN
Richard Brown,GB
Anatoli Kruglike
Anatoli Kruglikov, RUS
Alain Mallereau,FRA
Roy Pirrung, 48,US
Bryan Smith,AU,46




USA Ratified. 24-Hour
Records,Women
Track:

| Track: Sue Ellen Trapp | 136 | 946 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Open: |  |  |
| 40-44 none |  |  |
| 45-49 Sue Ellen Trapp | 136 | 946 |
| 50-54 Sue Ellen Trapp | 132 | 1194 |
| 55-59 Ruth Anderson | 110 | 440 |
| 60-64 Helen Klein | 105 | 1294 |
| 65-69 Helen Klein | 109 | 880 |
|  |  |  |
| Road: | 145 | 506 |
| Open: Sue Ellen Trapp | 138 | 508 |
| $40-44$ Randi Bromka | 145 | 506 |
| 45-49 Sue Ellen Trapp | 137 | 615 |
| S0-54 Sue Ellen Trapp |  |  |
| 55-59 no record | 83 | 100 |
| 60-64 Sarann Mock | 80 | 1430 |
| 65-69 Sarann Mock | 102 | 1300 |
| $70-74$ Helen Klein |  |  |

## 200 Km



USA Ratified $200-\mathrm{Km}$
Records,Women
Track:
Open: Sue Ellen Trapp . 21:08:47
$\begin{array}{ll}40-44 \text { Toni Belaustegui. } \quad & 23: 45: 26\end{array}$
45-49 Sue Ellen Trapp
50-5.t Mary Ann Miller . .
55-59 Bev Nolan Cannata . $45: 54: 10$

## 12 Hours.

Men
Yiannis Kouros,GR


Track:

| Open: Ann Trason |  | 91 |  |
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| 1258 | $\ldots$. |  |  |
| t0-44 Lynn O'Malley |  | 77 | 798 |
| 45-49 Sue Ellen Trapp |  | 76 | 809 |
| 50-54 Sandra Kiddy |  | 75 |  |
| 1454 | 63 | 667 |  |
| 55-59 Ruth Anderson |  | 56 | 662 |
| 60-64 Dixie Madsen. | 60 | 880 |  |
| 65-69 Helen Klein |  |  |  |
|  |  | 90 |  |
| Road: | 79 |  |  |
| Open: Ann Trason | 79 | 698 |  |
| 40-44 Randi Bromka | 72 |  |  |
| 45-49 Sandra Kiddy |  | 47 | 247 |
| 50-54 Sue Ellen Trapp |  |  |  |

Don Ritchie,GB
Derek Kay.SA
Cavin Woodward,GB

## 100 Miles

All-time,North America
Andy Jones
Rae Clark
Bernd Heinrich,44
9 . 464

Age groups,world
40-44 Derek Kay,SA
+5-49 Don Ritchie,GB
50-54 Denis Weir,GB
55-59 Gard Leighton,US
60-64 Cliff Young,A
65-69 Ray Piva,US
70-74 Max Courtilton, FR
75-79 Konrad Volkening,
80-84 Ernie Warwick.GB 50
Rae Clark
Cihit Yeter, 46
Kevin Setnes
Peter Holubar.CAN
Bernd Heinrich 43
Tom Possert
USA Ratified 12-Hour
Records,Men

Robert Emmons
Track:
$\begin{array}{lrr}\text { Open: Bernd Heinrich } & 95 & 1216 \\ \text { 40-44 Bernd Heinrich } & 95 & 1216 \\ \text { 45-49 Roy Pirrung } & 81 & 562 \\ \text { 50-54 John Metz } & 85 & 538 \\ \text { 55-59 Gard Leighton } & 81 & 844 \\ \text { 60-64 Ephraim Romesberg } & 68 & 832\end{array}$
Age groups,world
40-44 Yiannis Kouros.41,AU 45-49 Don Ritchie.GB
50-54 Helmut Schieke,GER

## $16: 55: 13$ $17: 44: 27$ <br> $17: 44: 27$ $18: 02: 30$ <br> $18: 05: 3$ $18: 28: 5$ $18: 30: 11$ <br> $18: 28: 58$ $18: 30: 11$ <br> 18:40:07

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Rank Name
1 BADIC, Safet
2 JACOBS, Trevor
3 KOUROS, Yiannis
4 DUCK, John
5 CORNTHWAITE, lan
6 WILSON, Greg
7 SMITH, Jeff
8 DIETACHMAYER, Tony
BOASE, Geoff
10 STANDEVEN, David
11 MEDILL, Graham
12 FRANCIS, Mick
13 SKROBALAC, Joe
14 MARSHALL, Kelvin
15 ALEXANDER, Keith
16 CURTIS, Bob
17 GRAY, Peter
18 SIMMONS, Brian
19 LOVE, Greg
20 JOANNOU, Bill
21 VESNAVER, John
22 TORRE, Joe
23 WON, Kar
24 BOHNKE, Michael
25 SMITH, Bryan
26 GIBSON, Peter
27 CAMPBELL, Ron
28 CASSIDY, Kevin
29 GAYNOR, Brendon
30 QUINN, Peter
31 BELL, John
32 WRIGHT, Doug
33 DYE, Dave
34 SILL, David
5 HEPBURN, Brickley
DE FANIS, Sam
CORMACK, George
GRAYLING, Michael
ARMISTEAD, Peter
DYBDAHL, Bjorn
BEAUCHAMP, William
MARIS, Tony
43 JACKSON, Brian
44 CROUCH, Lawrence
45 DUFFELL, Geoff
46 BLYTHE, Geoff
47 FICKEL, Bob
48 FARNHAM, Tony
49 KIP.MELHAM, Anyce
50 KILLNER, Roger
51 SZALEK, Mike
52 DUCKWORTH, Steve
53 McCLOSKEY, Ian
54 HERPICH, Ludwig
55 HARPER, John
56 MEALEY, John
57 FRENCH, Cliff

| State | PB for 6HRS | Place | Date | at Age |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| VIC | 87.372 km | KNOX | 30/10/94 | 34 |
| ACT | 83.600 km | EAST BURWOOD | 21/06/92 | 40 |
| VIC | 83.600 km | coburg | 8/4/95 | 39 |
| VIC | 81.332 km | KNOX | 30/10/94 | 42 |
| VIC | 79.499 km | MOE | 1/12/96 | 34 |
| VIC | 78.426 km | BURWOOD | 25/10/92 | 40 |
| VIC | 77.083 km | BURWOOD | 27/06/91 | 41 |
| VIC | 76.707 km | BURWOOD | 25/10/92 | 29 |
| QLD | 76.439 km | KNOX | 30/10/94 | 43 |
| SA | 76.140 km | FRANKSTON | 30/04/94 | 42 |
| QLD | 75.458 km | IPSWICH | 18/04/92 | 44 |
| WA | 74.519 km | BUNBURY | 4/3/95 | 36 |
| VIC | 73.562 km | BURWOOD | 27/10/91 | 39 |
| VIC | 73.555 km | MOE | 30/11/97 | 33 |
| VIC | 72.752 km | COBURG | 27/02/93 |  |
| VIC | 72.563 km | BURWOOD | 25/10/92 | 50 |
| VIC | 72.258 km | BURWOOD | 27/10/91 | 27 |
| VIC | 72.199 km | BURWOOD | 24/10/93 |  |
| NSW | 71.060 km | WOLLONGONG | 26/03/94 |  |
| NSW | 70.644 km | COBURG | 27/02/93 | 36 |
| WA | 70.387 km | BUNBURY | 7/3/98 | 46 |
|  | 70.064 km |  |  |  |
| WA | 69.811 km | PERTH | 30/05/92 |  |
| NSW | 69.770km | EAST BURWOOD | 27/10/91 | 37 |
| VIC | 69.660 km | TOOTGAROOK | 2/5/93 | 49 |
| QLD | 69.330km | CENTENARY LAKES | 6/1/96 | 40 |
| VIC | 68.984 km | BURWOOD | 25/10/92 | 49 |
| VIC | 68.695km | COBURG 6 HR | 18/07/98 | 37 |
| WA | 68.626 km | BUNBURY | 4/3/95 | 44 |
| VIC | 68.518 km | BURWOOD | 28/10/90 | 40 |
| VIC | 68.474 km | EAST BURWOOD | 27/10/91 | 47 |
| WA | 68.301 km | BUNBURY | 2/4/94 | 48 |
| WA | 68.250 km | BUNBURY | 7/3/98 | 40 |
| NSW | 68.000 km | BURWOOD | 19/06/93 | 46 |
| VIC | 67.732km | OLYMPIC P | 4/8/90 | 39 |
| VIC | 67.671 km | BURWOOD | 24/10/92 | 44 |
| VIC | 67.281 km | WOLLONGONG | 1/4/95 | 44 |
| VIC | 66.946km | MOE | 1/12/96 | 40 |
| VIC | 66.825 km | FRANKSTON | 30/04/94 | 48 |
| WA | 66.693 km | BINBURY | 7/3/98 | 44 |
| VIC | 66.358 km | BURWOOD | 25/10/92 | 47 |
| WA | 66.348 km | BUNBURY | 29/02/92 |  |
| WA | 66.294 km | BUNBURY | 7/3/98 | 31 |
| VIC | 65.993 km | BURWOOD | 24/10/93 | 53 |
| VIC | 65.936 km | BURWOOD | 24/10/93 | 42 |
| WA | 65.913 km | BUNBURY | 7/3/98 | 42 |
| NSW | 65.279 km | WOLLONGONG | 1/4/95 | 43 |
| NSW | 65.250 km | WOLLONGONG | 26/03/94 | 48 |
| NSW | 65.200 km | WOLLONGONG | 1/4/95 |  |
| WA | 64.954 km | PERTH | 30/05/92 |  |
| WA | 64.765 km | BUNBURY | 6/3/99 | 39 |
| VIC | 64.625 km | BURWOOD | 24/10/93 | 40 |
| QLD | 64.602 km | CABOOLTURE | 4/1/97 | 45 |
| NSW | 64.400 km | WOLLONGONG | 26/03/94 |  |
| VIC | 64.303 km | KNOX | 30/10/94 | 47 |
| WA | 63.927 km | BUNBURY | 4/3/95 | 45 |
| QLD | 63.870 km | CENTENARY LAKES | 6/1/96 | 52 |

58 LOMBARDI, Rudy
59 KELLAR, Chris
60 TAYLOR, Maurice
61 RICHES, Ken
62 VISSER, Jeff
63 DONNELLY, Bruce
64 HUGHES, Randall
65 SAYERS, Bob
66 EVANS, Brian
67 JENKINS, Rick
68 MORELY, Darren
69 WALKER, Shane
70 ROONEY, James
71 DUNN, Stephen
72 DAVIES, John
73 ALFORD, Graeme
74 ALFORD, Graeme
75 SUTTON, Denis
76 LEONARD, Simon
77 BOYLE, Brad
78 WOODS, Peter
79 PRITCHARD, Mark
80 JENSEN, Hans
81 GIBBS, Ian
82 ZUKOWSKI, Jerry
83 GRIXTI, Peter
84 HOOK, Geoff
85 WITT, Alan
86 HENRICKS, Bob
87 BAZELEY, Gavin
88 HARTLEY, Ernest
89 BLACKMAN, Fred
90 BURNS, Bob
91 SINFIELD, Peter
92 PARSONS, Gary
93 FORSYTH, Gordon
94 BAXTER, Bill
95 CHANNELLS, Robert
96 TRELOAR, Roy
97 BEVERIDGE, Steel
98 LANE, Andrew
99 RABL, Dave
100 GREEN, Keith
101 GREEN, Colin
102 COX (JNR), Terry
103 PEARCE, Phil
104 MATCHETT, Ken
105 HIGGINS, Barry
106 MACBETH, Robert
107 WILLIAMS, Geoff
108 BILTON, Nigel
109 ROWE, Craig
110 BUTKO, Peter
111 WATTS, Graham
112 PICKARD, Terry
113 BRISTOW, Ralph
114 MUNNINGS, Darryl
115 DONOVAN, Tom
116 PAGER, Steven
117 JOHNSTON, Norm

| VIC | 63.737 km | EAST BURWOOD | 27/10/91 | 28 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 63.681 km | EAST BURWOOD | 24/10/93 |  |
| NSW | 63.647 km | IPSWICH | 18/04/92 | 43 |
| VIC | 63.640 km | MOE | 1/12/96 | 44 |
| VIC | 63.585 km | TOOTGAROOK | 2/5/93 | 29 |
| QLD | 63.510 km | WOLLONGONG | 26/03/94 |  |
| VIC | 63.354 km | BURWOOD | 25/10/92 | 68 |
| VIC | 63.180km | FRANKSTON | 30/04/94 | 52 |
| QLD | 62.957 km | CABOOLTURE | 4/1/97 | 54 |
| VIC | 62.955km | EAST BURWOOD | 27/10/91 | 38 |
| QLD | 62.880km | IPSWICH | 18/04/92 |  |
| WA | 62.849 km | BUNBURY | 6/3/99 | 37 |
| NSW | 62.800km | WOLLONGONG | 26/03/94 | 41 |
| SA | 62.619 km | BUNBURY | 2/4/94 | 27 |
| WA | 62.560 km | BUNBURY | 7/3/98 | 53 |
| VIC | 62.538 km | EAST BURWOOD | 28/10/90 | 30 |
|  | 62.538 km | EAST BURWOOD | 28/10/90 |  |
| WA | 62.483 km | BUNBURY | 2/4/94 | 44 |
| WA | 62.431 km | BUNBURY | 2/4/94 | 34 |
| NSW | 62.430km | MOE | 1/12/96 | 36 |
| VIC | 62.049 km | COBURG | 27/02/93 |  |
| WA | 62.033 km | BUNBURY | 2/4/94 | 46 |
|  | 61.807 km | EAST BURWOOD | 28/10/90 |  |
| WA | 61.800km | BUNBURY | 7/3/98 | 40 |
| SA | 61.655km | BUNBURY | 6/3/99 | 46 |
| VIC | 61.502 km | MOE | 29/11/98 | 49 |
| VIC | 61.391 km | KNOX | 30/10/94 | 49 |
| VIC | 61.267 km | BURWOOD | 27/10/91 | 45 |
| QLD | 61.055km | CABOOLTURE | 4/1/97 | 51 |
| QLD | 60.567 km | IPSWICH | 18/04/92 | 29 |
| VIC | 60.490 km | BURWOOD | 27/10/91 | 41 |
| VIC | 60.435 km | EAST BURWOOD | 28/10/90 |  |
| QLD | 60.321 km | IPSWICH | 18/04/92 | 48 |
| QLD | 60.283 km | CABOOLTURE | 4/1/97 | 36 |
| QLD | 60.220km | CENTENARY LAKES | 6/1/96 | 46 |
| NSW | 59.996 km | MOE | 29/11/98 |  |
| VIC | 59.692 km | EAST BURWOOD | 27/10/91 | 53 |
| NSW | 59.597 km | IPSWICH | 10/4/93 | 50 |
| QLD | 59.260 km | CABOOLTURE | 4/1/97 | 41 |
| NSW | 58.670km | TOOWOOMBA | 28/03/93 | 42 |
| WA | 58.651 km | BUNBURY | 7/3/98 | 23 |
| VIC | 58.390 km | BURWOOD | 24/10/93 |  |
| VIC | 58.152km | BURWOOD | 24/10/93 |  |
| WA | 58.000 km | BUNBURY | 27/02/93 |  |
| VIC | 57.840 km | E BURWOOD V | 28/10/90 | 25 |
| WA | 57.830 km | BUNBURY | 4/3/95 |  |
| VIC | 57.753 km | BURWOOD | 25/10/92 | 70 |
| VIC | 57.647 km | MOE | 1/12/96 | 58 |
| WA | 57.558 km | BUNBURY | 6/3/99 | 45 |
| QLD | 57.555 km | CABOOLTURE | 4/1/97 | 45 |
| WA | 57.548 km | BUNBURY | 29/02/92 |  |
| QLD | 57.290 km | WOLLONGONG | 26/03/94 | 26 |
| VIC | 57.105 km | FRANKSTON | 30/04/94 | 16 |
| QLD | 56.920 km | CENTENARY LAKES | 6/1/96 | 42 |
| QLD | 56.899 km | IPSWICH | 18/04/92 |  |
| VIC | 56.850 km | WOLLONGONG | 26/03/94 | 54 |
| WA | 56.773 km | BUNBURY | 7/3/98 | 45 |
| VIC | 56.708 km | EAST BURWOOD | 28/10/90 | 59 |
| WA | 56.706 km | BUNBURY | 1/3/97 |  |
| VIC | 56.618 km | EAST BURWOOD | 25/10/92 | 55 |

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118 PEACOCK, Stephen
119 KENNEDY, Brian
120 RAINES, Wayne
121 BISHOP, Graeme
122 CORNELIUS, Ian
123 SHAW, Doug
124 CLARKE, Ian
125 COLLINS, Tony
126 WISHART, Greg
127 HILLBRICK, Adam
128 DRAYTON, Nick
129 MORGAN, Rod
130 MASON, Don
131 McKLOSKEY, Ian
132 WEAVER, Robert
133 POLLARD, Godfrey
134 MACKAY, Mark
135 SCANLON, Shaun
136 TIMMS, John
137 NELSON, Peter
138 POWER, Tony
139 CARRIGAN, John
140 HARRISON, Max
141 ZLARKE, James
142 WALKLEY, Cecil
143 JAMES, Lyle
144 HALLAM, Andrew
145 PLANT, Jim
146 CLARKE, Tom
147 BUCHANAN, Lester
148 BRYCE, Steven
149 WORGER, Don
150 MARTIN, Kevin
151 HARRIS, Gary
152 DAVEL, Corrie
153 GRANT, Ron
154 RAFFERTY, Tony
O'CONNELL, Keith
SODERSTROM, Phillip
YEAMAN, David
DOAK-SMITH, Alan
SMITH, Alan D.
PETRIE, Bob
TAYLOR, Dave
TUTCHENER, Frank
GLOVER, Brian
HOLLERAN, David
BIRD, David
STYLES, David
TWITE, Ian
HOCKS, Gerard
STEPHENSON, Bill
BUCHAN, Sandy
HENRY, Peter
RUSSELL, Rick
EMBLETON, Rob
WICHMANN, Norbert
ROBINSON, Barrie
BRYSON, David
177 VARLEY, Chris

| WA | 56.528 km | BUNBURY | 6/3/99 | 29 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| WA | 56.424 km | BUNBURY | 29/02/92 |  |
| QLD | 56.422 km | IPSWICH | 18/04/92 | 33 |
| VIC | 56.217 km | EAST BURWOOD | 27/10/91 | 46 |
| QLD | 56.150 km | CENTENARY LAKES | 6/1/96 | 55 |
| WA | 56.015 km | BUNBURY | 1/3/97 | 31 |
| VIC | 56.008 km | BURWOOD | 25/10/92 | 38 |
| NSW | 56.000 km | WOLLONGONG | 26/03/94 | 46 |
| VIC | 55.732 km | BURWOOD | 28/10/90 | 52 |
| VIC | 55.536 km | BURWOOD | 24/10/93 | 17 |
| NSW | 55.358 km | LIVERPOOL | 5/2/95 |  |
| QLD | 55.310 km | CENTENARY LAKES | 6/1/96 | 48 |
| WA | 55.011 km | BUNBURY | 29/02/92 |  |
| QLD | 54.830 km | CENTENERY LAKES | 6/1/96 | 44 |
| WA | 54.800 km | BUNBURY | 6/3/99 | 41 |
| VIC | 54.771 km | BURWOOD | 25/10/92 | 61 |
| QLD | 54.716 km | NANANGO | 8/3/94 | 27 |
| NSW | 54.400 km | WOLLONGONG | 26/03/94 | 49 |
| QLD | 54.270 km | FRANKSTON | 30/04/94 | 51 |
| VIC | 54.183 km | MOE | 29/11/98 | 58 |
| VIC | 54.181 km | BURWOOD | 28/10/90 |  |
| NSW | 54.031 km | CENTENARY LAKES | 7/1/95 | 42 |
| VIC | 53.908 km | BURWOOD | 27/10/91 | 52 |
| VIC | 53.849 km | BURWOOD | 24/10/93 | 50 |
| WA | 53.830 km | BUNBURY | 2/4/94 | 64 |
| WA | 53.339 km | BUNBURY | 2/4/94 | 53 |
|  | 53.068 km | BURWOOD | 28/10/90 |  |
| QLD | 53.058 km | CENTENARY LAKES | 7/1/95 | 50 |
| WA | 52.584 km | BUNBURY | 4/3/95 | 48 |
| VIC | 52.451 km | EAST BURWOOD | 28/10/90 | 50 |
| NSW | 52.426 km | WOLLONGONG | 1/4/95 | 38 |
| QLD | 52.373 km | CENTENARY LAKES | 7/1/95 | 43 |
| WA | 52.198 km | BUNBURY | 6/3/99 | 51 |
| WA | 52.198 km | BUNBURY | 4/3/95 | 38 |
| QLD | 52.126 km | CABOOLTURE | 4/1/97 | 40 |
| QLD | 52.101 km | CENTENARY LAKES | 7/1/95 | 51 |
| VIC | 52.072 km | MOE | 1/12/96 | 57 |
| NSW | 52.000 km | WOLLONGONG | 1/4/95 |  |
| VIC | 51.907 km | BURWOOD | 28/10/90 |  |
| VIC | 51.754 km | BURWOOD | 18/10/90 | 54 |
| WA | 51.697 km | BUNBURY | 5/3/94 | 33 |
| WA | 51.697 km | BUNBURY | 2/4/94 |  |
| VIC | 51.630 km | BURWOOD | 27/10/91 | 50 |
| NSW | 51.200 km | WOLLONGONG | 26/03/94 | 42 |
| VIC | 51.073 km | BURWOOD | 28/10/90 |  |
| VIC | 50.918 km | COBURG 6 HR | 18/07/98 |  |
| QLD | 50.764 km | IPSWICH | 18/04/92 | 35 |
| WA | 50.607 km | BUNBURY | 1/3/97 |  |
| VIC | 50.400 km | MOE | 29/11/98 |  |
|  | 50.400 km | MOE | 29/11/98 |  |
| QLD | 50.178 km | CABOOLTURE | 4/1/97 | 56 |
| VIC | 50.008 km | BURWOOD | 25/10/92 |  |
| QLD | 50.000 km | CENTENARY LAKES | 6/1/96 | 41 |
| NSW | 50.000 km | WOLLONGONG | 1/4/95 | 55 |
| WA | 50.000 km | BUNBURY | 4/3/95 |  |
| VIC | 50.000 km | MOE | 30/11/97 | 44 |
| VIC | 49.774 km | BURWOOD | 28/10/90 |  |
| WA | 49.668 km | BUNBURY | 29/02/92 |  |
| SA | 48.839 km | SA 6HR | 24/08/98 |  |
| ACT | 48.666 km | WOLLONGONG | 1/4/95 |  |


| Rank | Name |
| :---: | :---: |
| 1 | MEADOWS, Linda |
| 2 | FRANCIS, Mary |
| 3 | PETRIE, Lavinia |
| 4 | STANGER, Helen |
| 5 | KERR, Sandra |
| 6 | PARRIS, Dawn |
| 7 | BALDWIN, Cherie |
| 8 | YOUNG, Shirley |
| 9 | KING, Robin |
| 10 | JOHNSON, Rosemary |
| 11 | GORDON-LEWIS, Lyn |
| 12 | ROBINSON, Jacqui |
| 13 | COLLINS, Fiona |
| 14 | BRINSDEN, Carolyn |
| 15 | DURRANT, Nicole |
| 16 | GRANT, Dell |
| 17 | CLARKE, Jacquie |
| 18 | McCONNELL, Georgina |
| 19 | THIELE, Christine |
| 20 | SKROBOLAC, Sharon |
| 21 | MARKHAM, Aileene |
| 22 | DE GROOT, Corrie |
| 23 | CLARKE, Angela |
| 24 | PARSONS, Sharon |
| 25 | HILL, Lorna |
| 26 | COULTER, Joan |
| 27 | TIMMER-ARENDS, Sandra |
| 28 | DOW, Doreen |
| 29 | CATON, Kathy |
| 30 | STREET, Carol |
| 31 | SALTER, Bronwyn |
| 32 | TAYLOR, Jacqueline |
| 33 | COLLINS, Jan |
| 34 | SMITH, Shelly |
| 35 | CURRAN, Michelle |
| 36 | OSBORNE, Ann |
| 37 | STEDMAN, Jenny |
| 38 | MITCHELL, Veronica |
| 39 | DICKSON, Norma |
| 40 | COX, Sandra |
| 41 | HALL, Kerrie |
| 42 | HALL, Jannelle |
| 43 | HUCKER, Patricia |
| 44 | HOLLERAN, Kay |
| 45 | BUCKAN, Judy |
| 46 | SMITH, Grace |
| 47 | DAVIES, Karen |
| 48 | WHITE, Debbie |
| 49 | FOREMAN, Rhonda |
| 50 | HICK, Dorothy |
| 51 | STRONG, Jan |
| 52 | WILLIAMS, Betty |
| 53 | DAWSON, Maureen |


| State | PB for 6HRS | Place | Date | at Age |
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| VIC | 78.742 km | EAST BURWOOD | 18/06/94 | 35 |
| WA | 74.167 km | BUNBURY | 2/4/94 | 36 |
| VIC | 72.783 km | EAST BURWOOD | 21/06/92 | 48 |
| NSW | 69.600 km | WOLLONGONG | 26/03/94 | 43 |
| VIC | 66.338 km | COBURG | 27/02/93 | 47 |
| VIC | 66.115 km | BURWOOD | 25/10/92 | 39 |
| VIC | 64.642 km | BURWOOD | 25/10/92 | 40 |
| VIC | 63.425 km | BURWOOD | 27/10/91 | 61 |
| WA | 62.093 km | BUNBURY | 7/3/98 | 39 |
| WA | 61.647 km | BUNBURY | 6/3/99 | 23 |
| QLD | 61.412 km | CABOOLTURE | 4/1/97 | 41 |
| WA | 61.355 km | BUNBURY | 27/02/93 |  |
| WA | 60.652 km | BUNBURY | 7/3/98 | 27 |
| WA | 60.163 km | BUNBURY | 4/3/95 | 36 |
| WA | 60.163 km | BUNBURY | 4/3/95 | 27 |
| QLD | 60.003 km | IPSWICH | 10/4/93 | 39 |
| WA | 58.926 km | BUNBURY | 29/02/92 |  |
| NSW | 58.200 km | WOLLONGONG | 26/03/94 | 50 |
| SA | 57.469 km | SA 6 HR | 24/08/98 |  |
| VIC | 55.384 km | BURWOOD | 27/10/91 | 34 |
| QLD | 55.233 km | CABOOLTURE | 4/1/97 | 49 |
| VIC | 54.278 km | BURWOOD | 27/10/91 | 63 |
| QLD | 54.180 km | CENTENARY LAKES | 6/1/96 | 56 |
| QLD | 51.891 km | CENTENARY LAKES | 7/1/95 | 43 |
| QLD | 51.092 km | CENTENARY LAKES | 7/1/95 | 29 |
| NSW | 50.690 km | WOLLONGONG | 1/4/95 |  |
| VIC | 50.400 km | MOE | 29/11/98 | 35 |
| WA | 50.387 km | BUNBURY | 29/02/92 |  |
| QLD | 48.671 km | CABOOLTURE | 4/1/97 | 33 |
| QLD | 48.000 km | BRISBANE |  |  |
| WA | 47.681 km | BUNBURY | 6/3/99 | 51 |
| VIC | 47.018 km | BURWOOD | 25/10/92 |  |
| QLD | 46.254 km | CABOOLTURE | 4/1/97 | 58 |
| QLD | 45.770 km | CENTENARY LAKES | 6/1/96 | 38 |
| QLD | 45.600 km | WOLLONGONG | 1/4/95 |  |
| WA | 45.416 km | BUBURY | 7/3/98 | 44 |
| WA | 45.003 km | PERTH | 30/05/92 |  |
| QLD | 44.554 km | CENTENARY LAKES | 7/1/95 | 34 |
| VIC | 44.245 km | BURWOOD | 28/10/90 |  |
| QLD | 43.240 km | CENTENARY LAKES | 7/1/95 | 43 |
| QLD | 43.035 km | CENTENARY LAKES | 7/1/95 | 33 |
|  | 42.720 km | TOOWOOMBA | 28/03/93 |  |
| NSW | 42.690 km | WOLLONGONG | 1/4/95 |  |
|  | 42.250 km | TOOWOOMBA | 28/03/93 |  |
| QLD | 38.244 km | CENTENARY LAKES | 7/1/95 | 38 |
| VIC | 37.702 km | BURWOOD | 28/10/90 | 71 |
| QLD | 36.123 km | CENTENARY LAKES | 7/1/95 | 45 |
| QLD | 33.734 km | CENTENARY LAKES | 7/1/95 | 35 |
| QLD | 31.143 km | CENTENARY LAKES | 7/1/95 | 44 |
| VIC | 29.551 km | BURWOOD | 28/10/90 | 49 |
|  | 28.328 km | BURWOOD | 28/10/90 |  |
| QLD | 25.649 km | CENTENARY LAKES | 7/1/95 | 48 |
| QLD | 25.649 km | CENTENARY LAKES | 7/1/95 | 48 |

## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

## AUSTRALIAN ULTRA RUNNERS' ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED


#### Abstract

Application for membership of the Australian Ultra Runners' Association Incorporated (AURA INC) I (Full name of Applicant) of $\qquad$ Post Code Date of Birth Desire to become a member of the AUSTRALIAN ULTRA RUNNERS' ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED. In the event of my admission as a member, I agree to be bound by the rules of the Association for the time being in force.


(Signature of Applicant)
(Date)

I the applicant, who is personally known to me, for membership of the Association.
(Signature of Proposer)
(Date) nomination of the Applicant,, who is personally known to me, for membership of the Association.

Current membership fees for $19 \ldots$ (in Aust dollars) are as follows: Cheques payable to AURA Inc.

| Please circle the desired rate: | $\$ 25$ | within Australia |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  |  |  |  |  |
|  | NZ | Asia | USA | Europe |
| Air Mail (up to 1 week delivery) | $\$ 34$ | $\$ 38$ | $\$ 41$ | $\$ 43$ |

Send Application and money to: Dot Browne (Hon Sec), AURA Inc, 4 Victory Street, Mitcham 3132

Note: If joining during the second half of the year, the full year's back issues of ULTRAMAG, the AURA magazine, will be sent on receipt of your subscription. Our subscription year coincides with the calendar year and runs from $1^{\text {st }}$ January to $31^{\text {st }}$ December each year.

Also note: A Proposer and Seconder for new members is a constitutional requirement for incorporated associations, really a formality. We'll be happy to provide the Proposer and Seconder for you if you simply fill in the Membership Application with your own details. Thanks!


[^0]:    17. What do you think of the "UltraMag" magazine?
